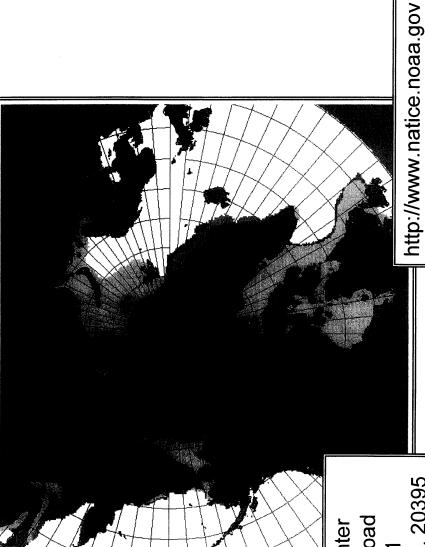


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Navy, the United States Coast Guard, and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), provides sea ice analyses encompassing The National Ice Center (NIC), under sponsorship of the United States observations and differ only in that the Arctic and Antarctic are split into two established under our previous name, the Joint Ice Center. These atlases continue the near real-time integration of remotely sensed data and point the "Arctic" and the "Antarctic". These analyses continue the data set separate publications per hemisphere per year.

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derived from DMSP Special Sensor Microwave Imager (SSMII), and dashed lines Resolution Radiometer (AVHRR) data. Dash-dash-dotted lines depict boundaries The NIC uses a wide variety of data sources in the production of sea ice boundaries derived from: point observations, Defense Meteorological Satellite Program Operational Line Scan (DMSP OLS) and NOAA Advanced Very High analyses. Table 1 lists the data sources used to produce the Arctic weekly ice provide metadata information with regard to sensor type. Solid lines depict analyses contained in this publication. The line types used in the analyses depict boundaries derived from forecast models and climatology.

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Sensor Spectral Region and Type
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TABLE 1. 1996 Arctic Satellite Data Sources

## Abbreviations and Acronyms:

AVHRR- Advanced Very High Resolution Radiometer AMI- Active Microwave Sensor cm- centimeter

ERS- Earth Remote Sensing Satellite GHz- GigaHertz

HRPT- High Resolution Picture transmission IR- Infrared

LAC- Local Area Coverage

km- kilometer

NIR- Near Infrared

OLS- Operational Linescan System RADARSAT- Radar Satellite

SAR- Synthetic Aperture Radar

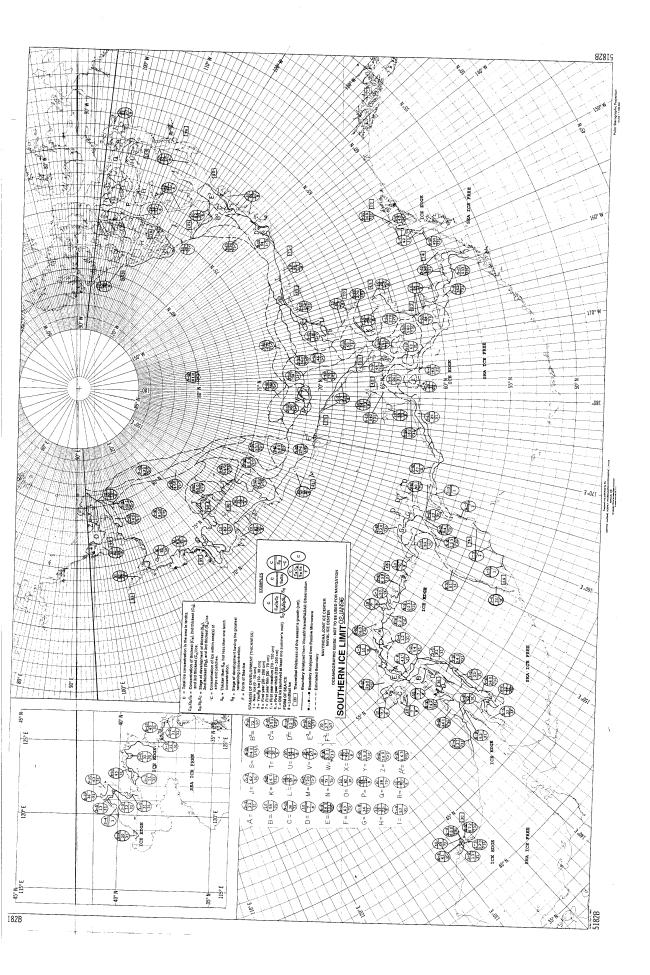
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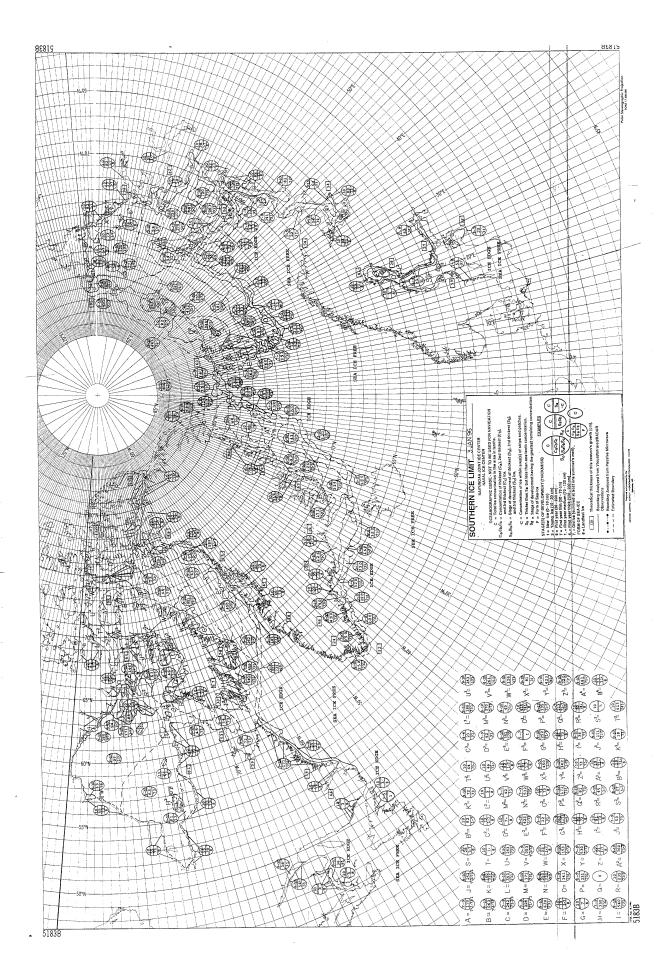
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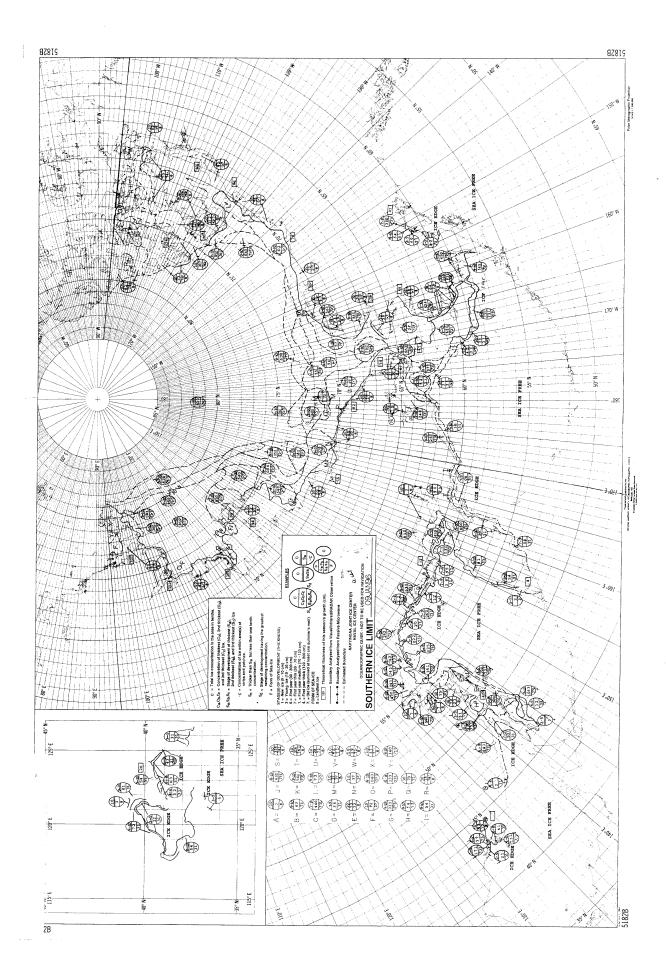
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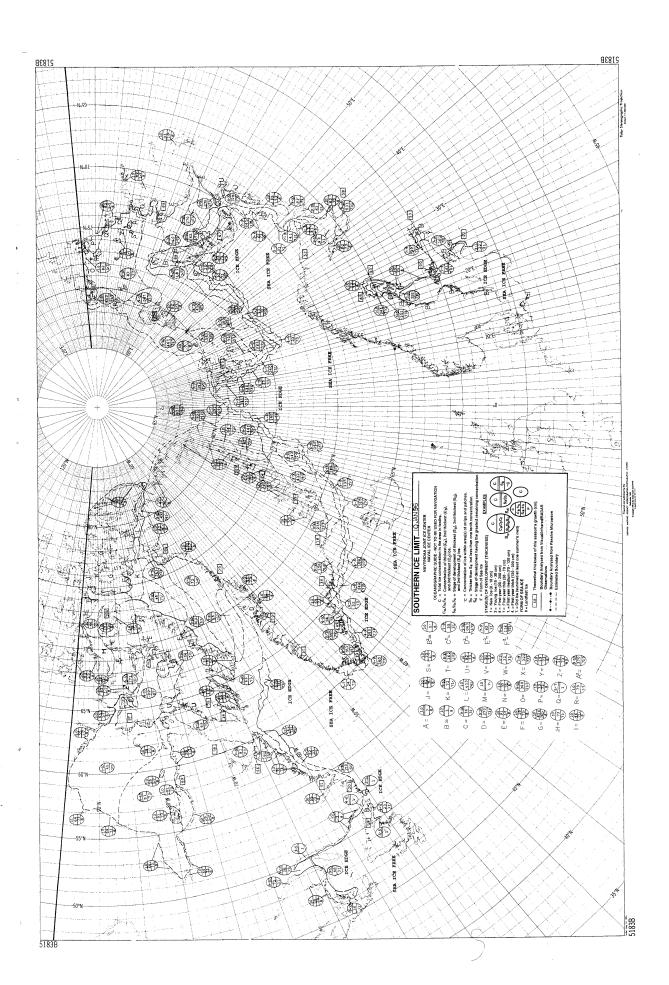
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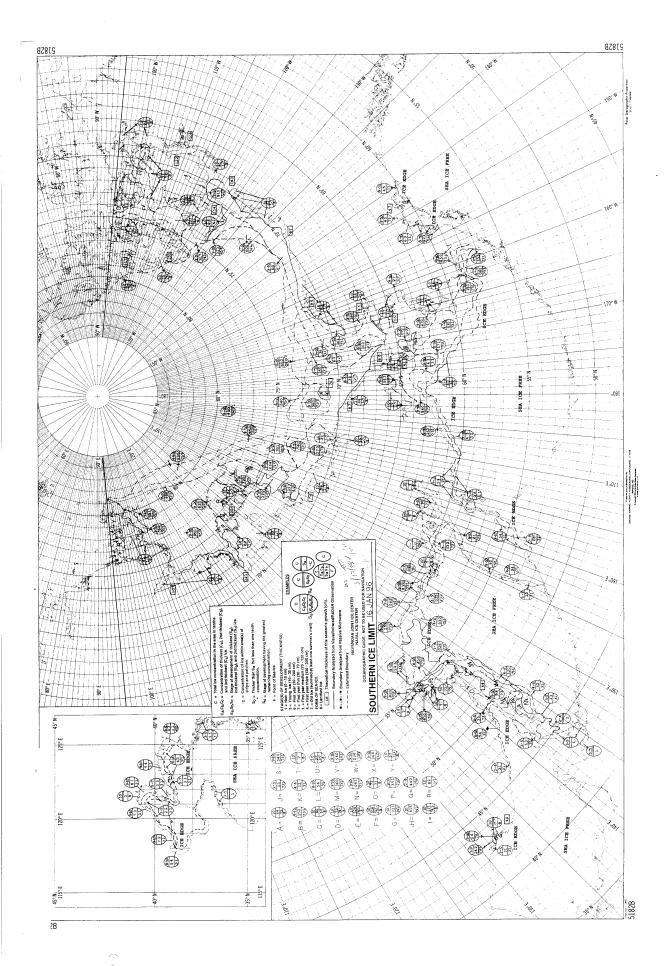
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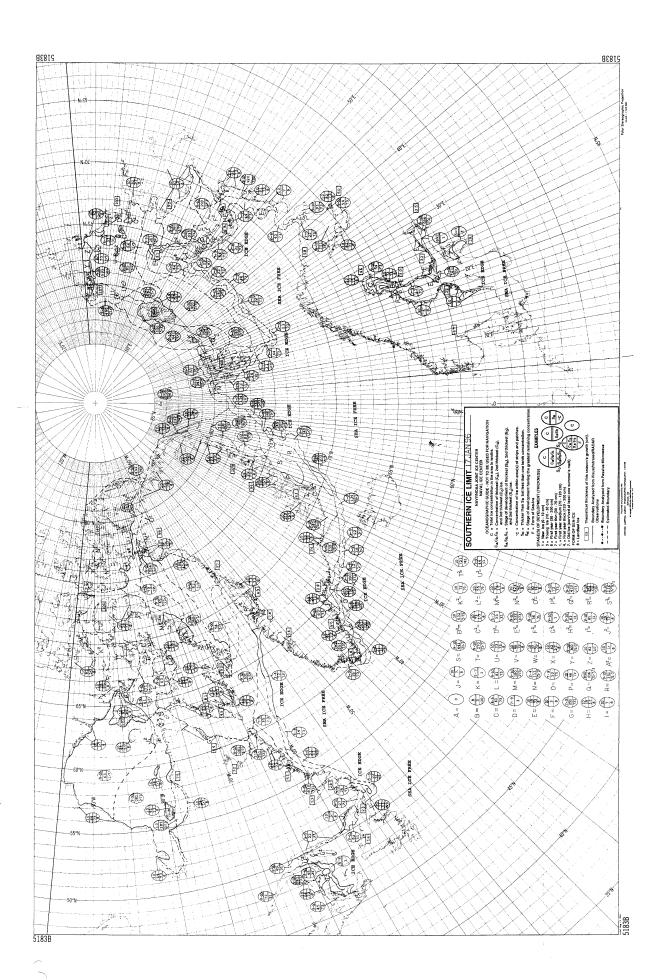


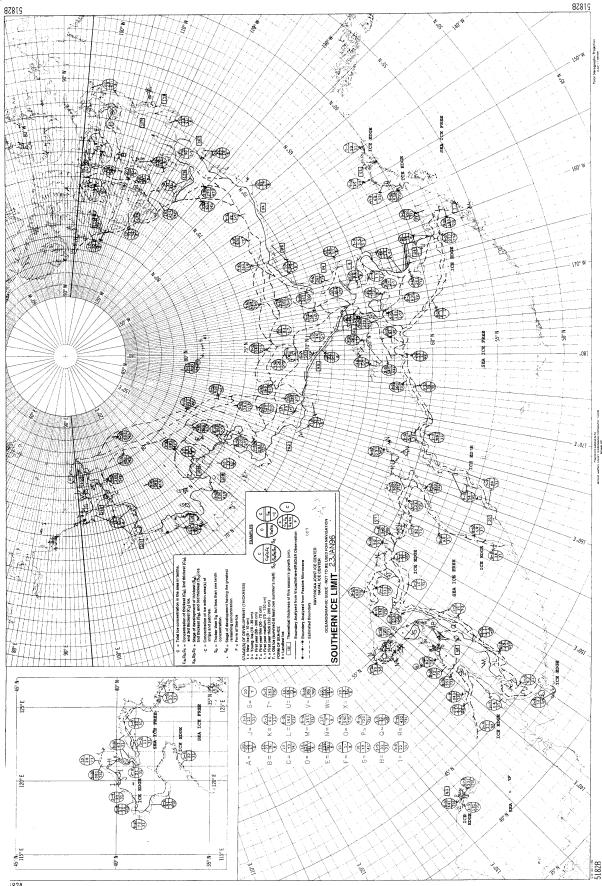


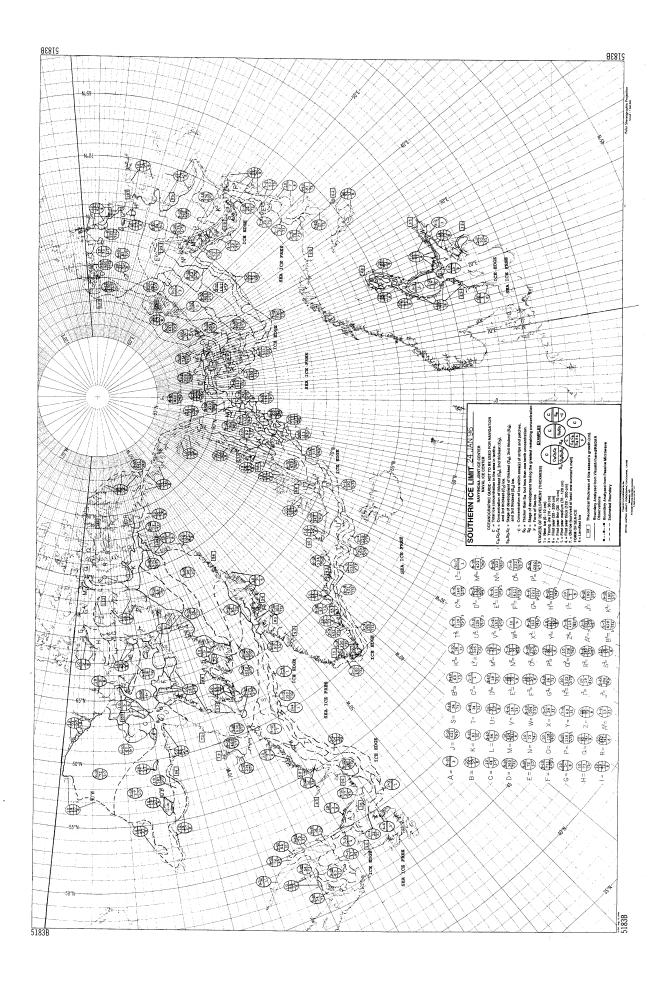


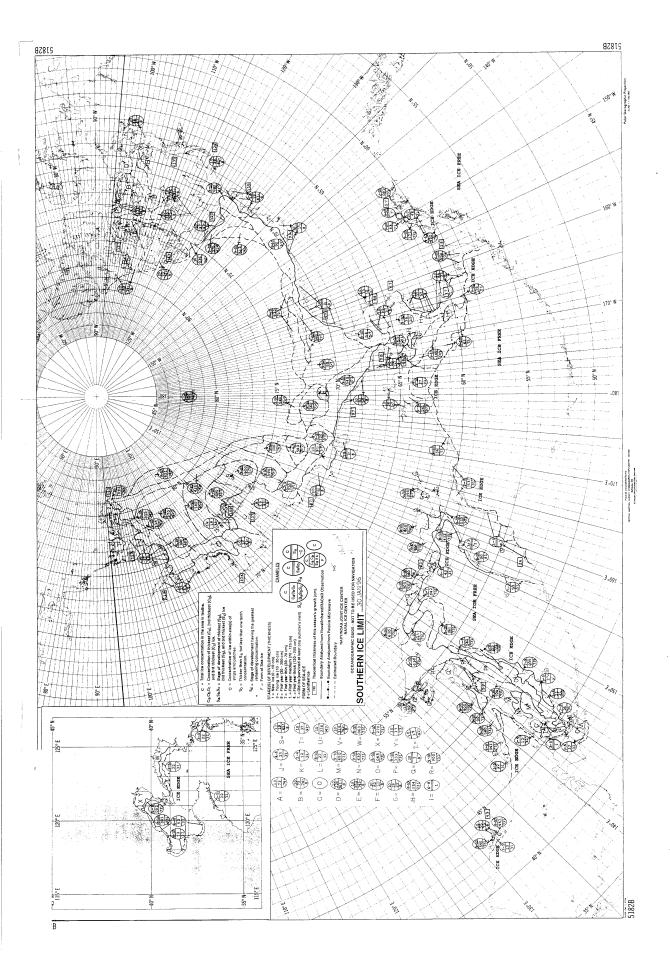


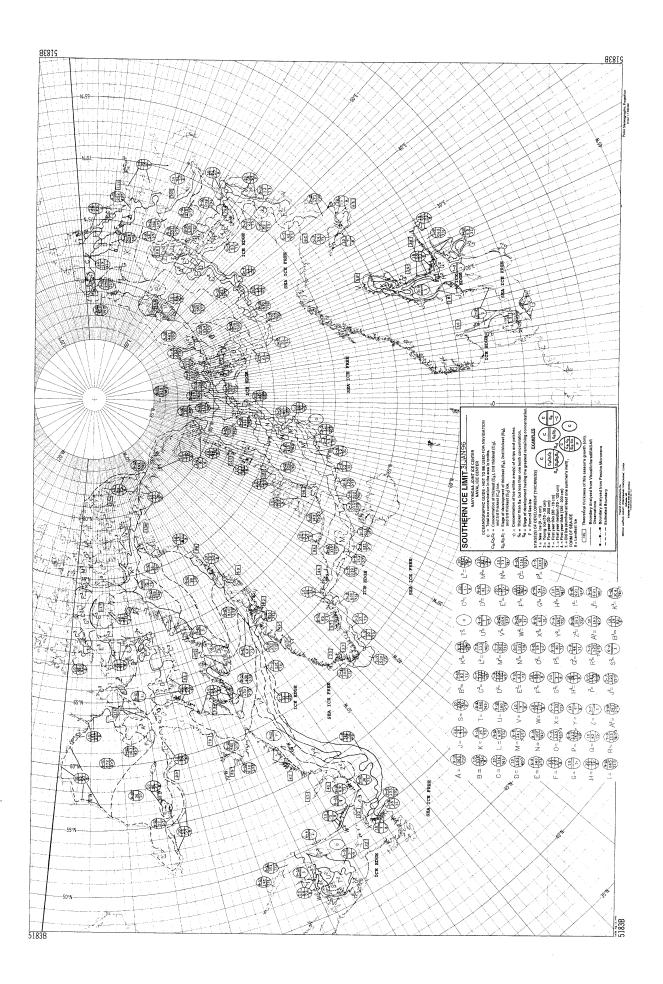


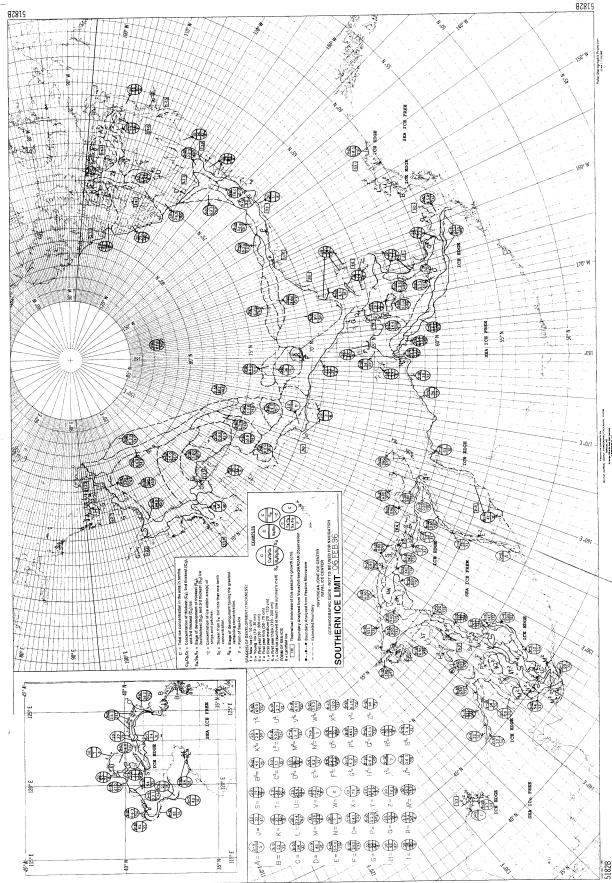


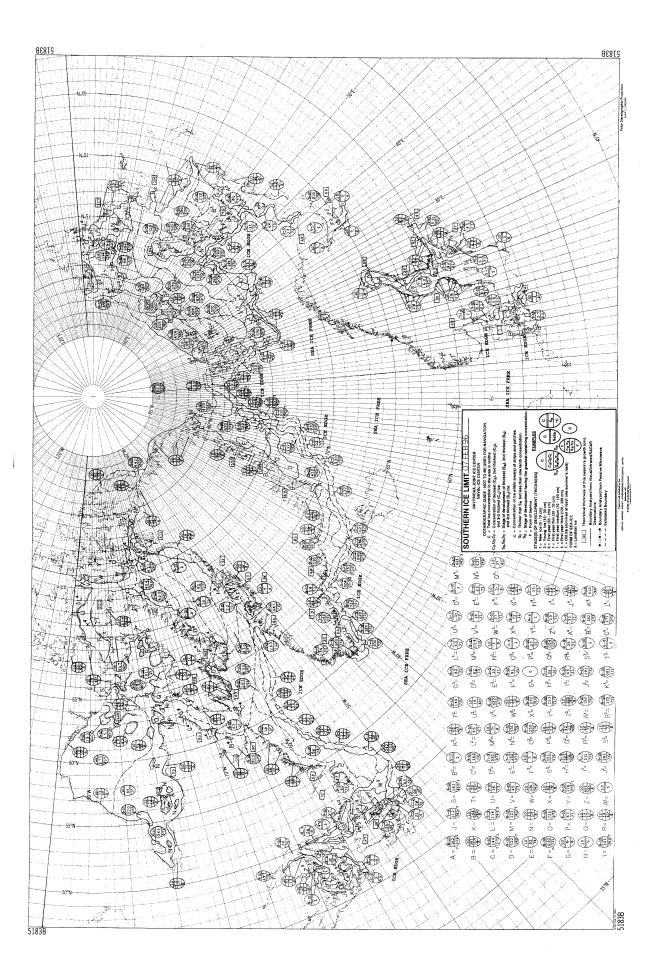


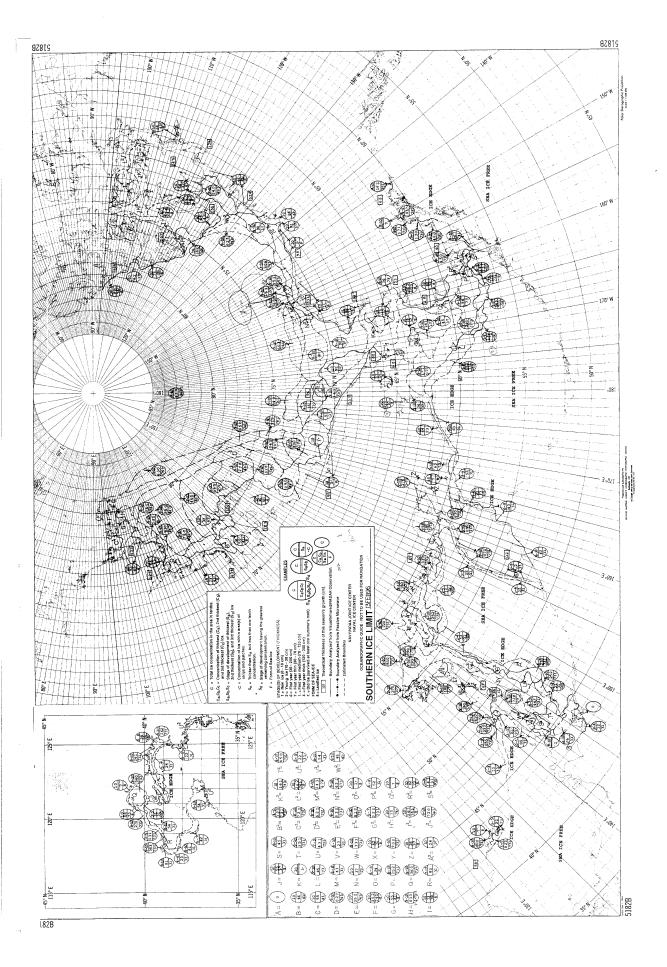


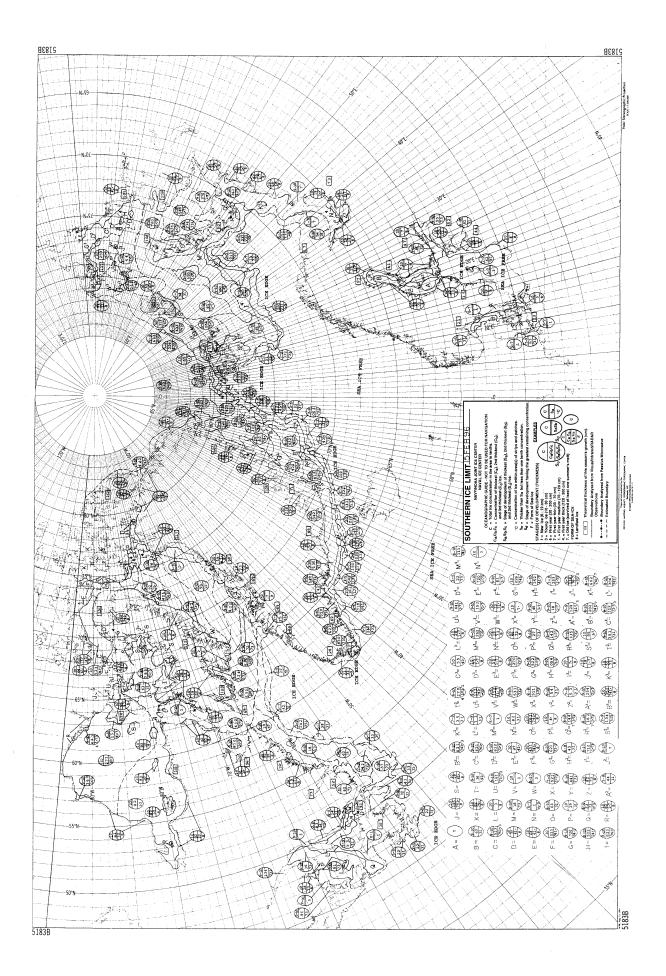


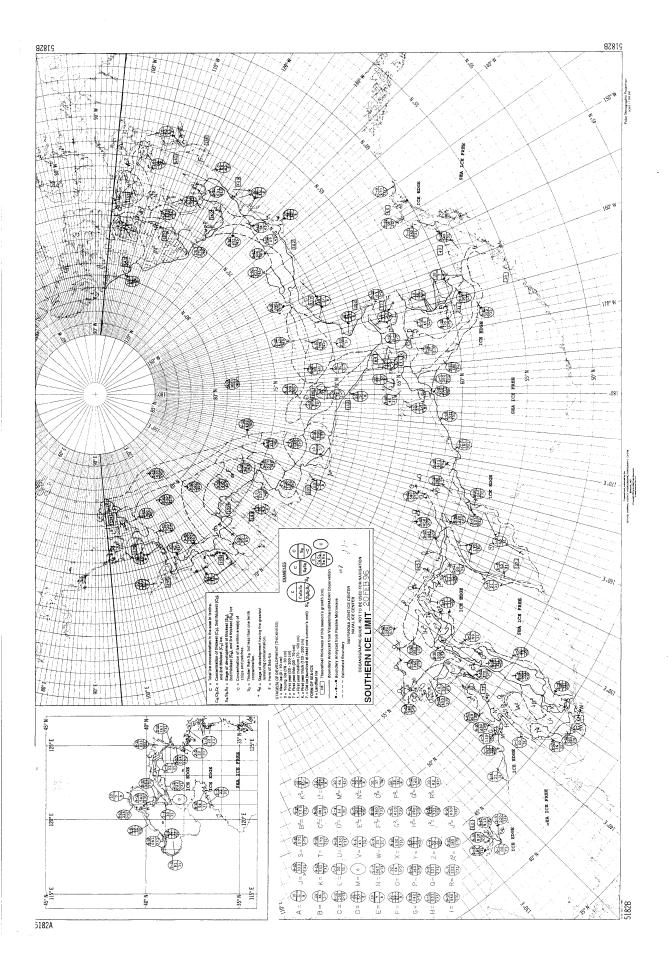


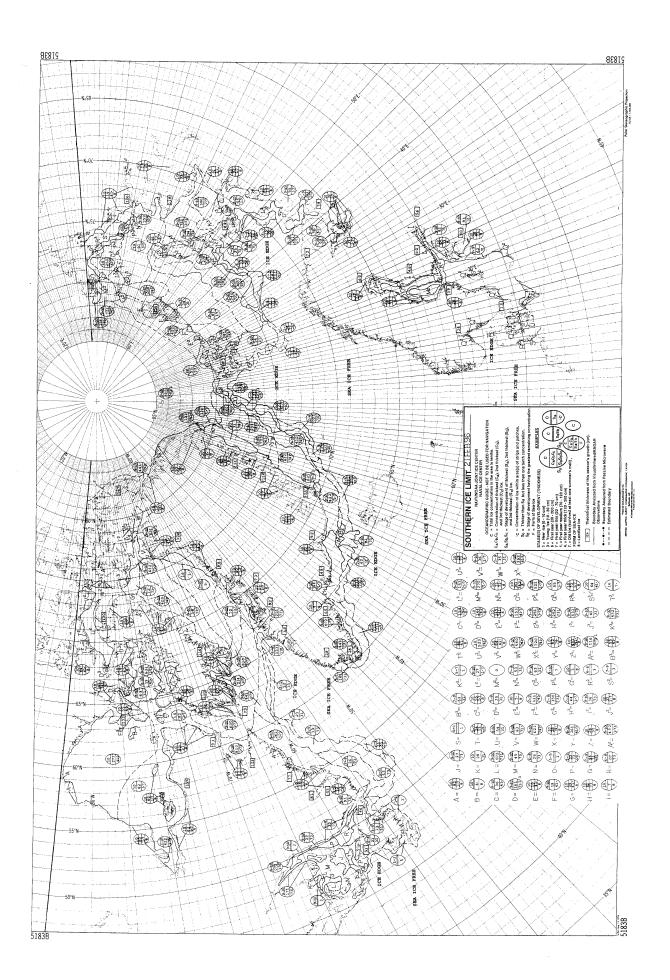


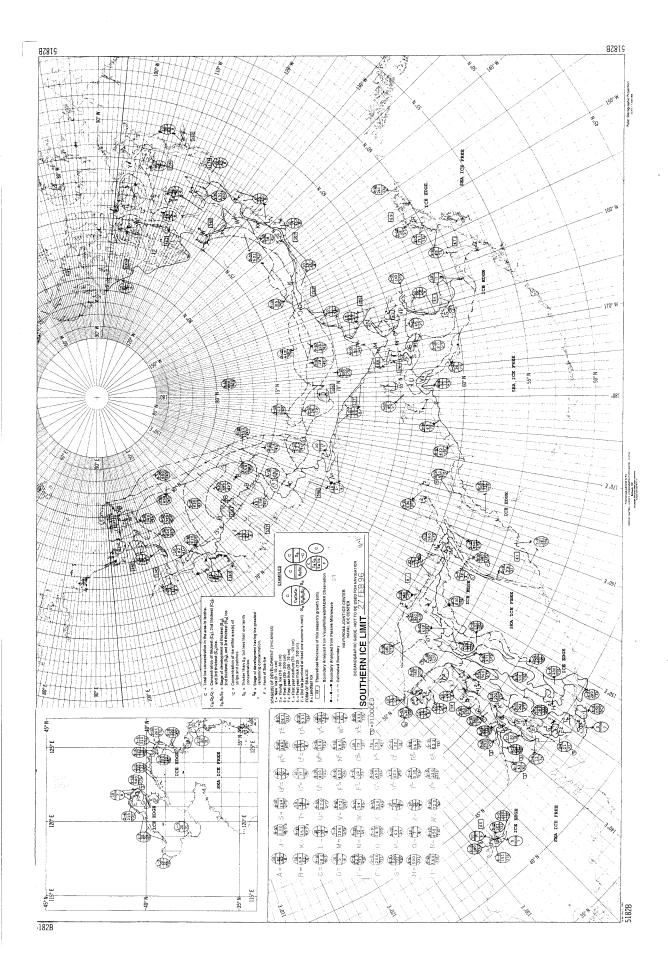


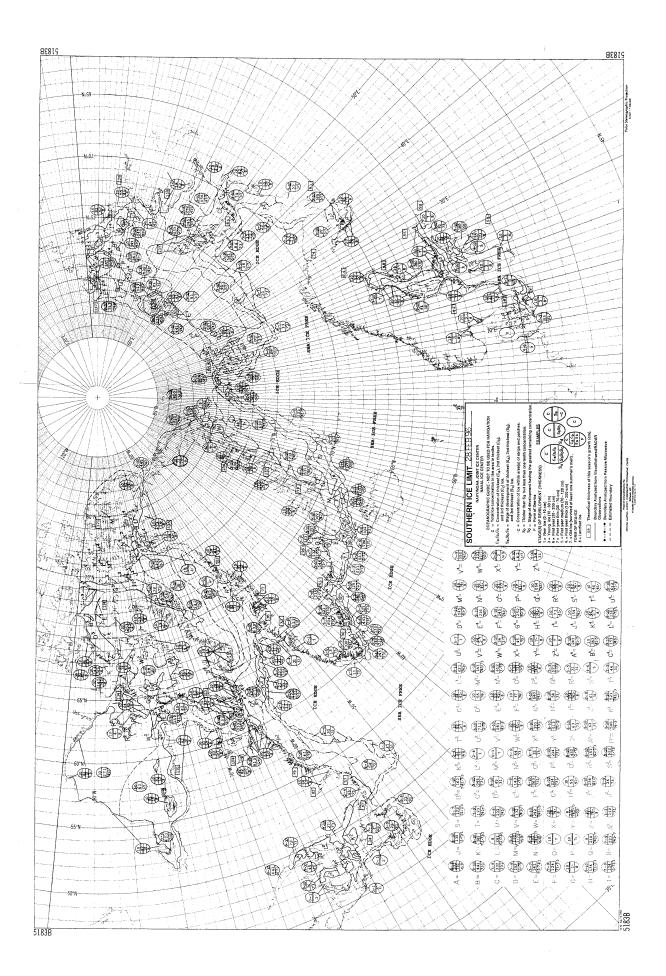


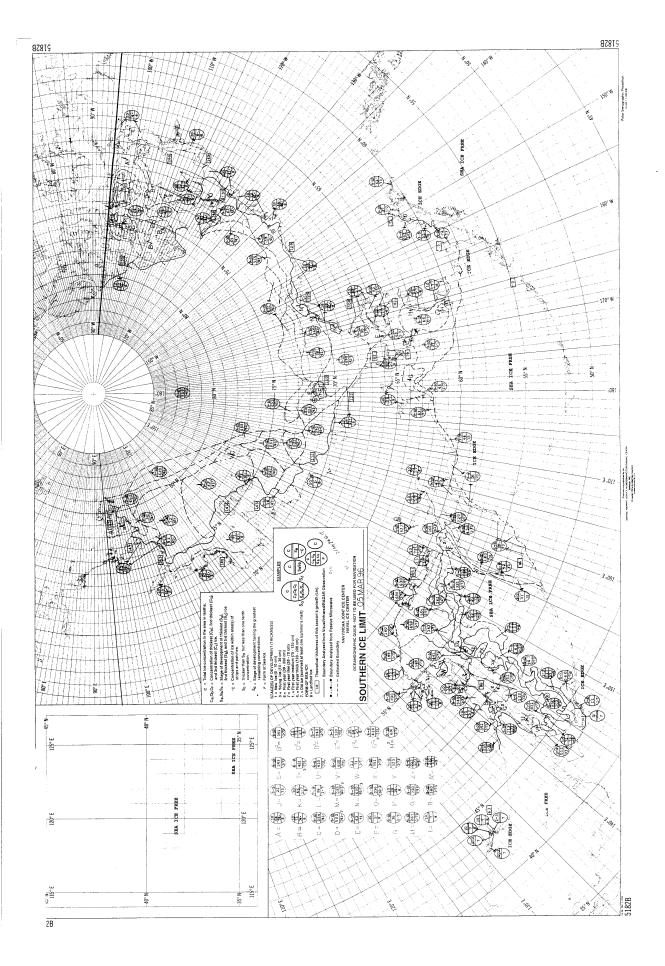


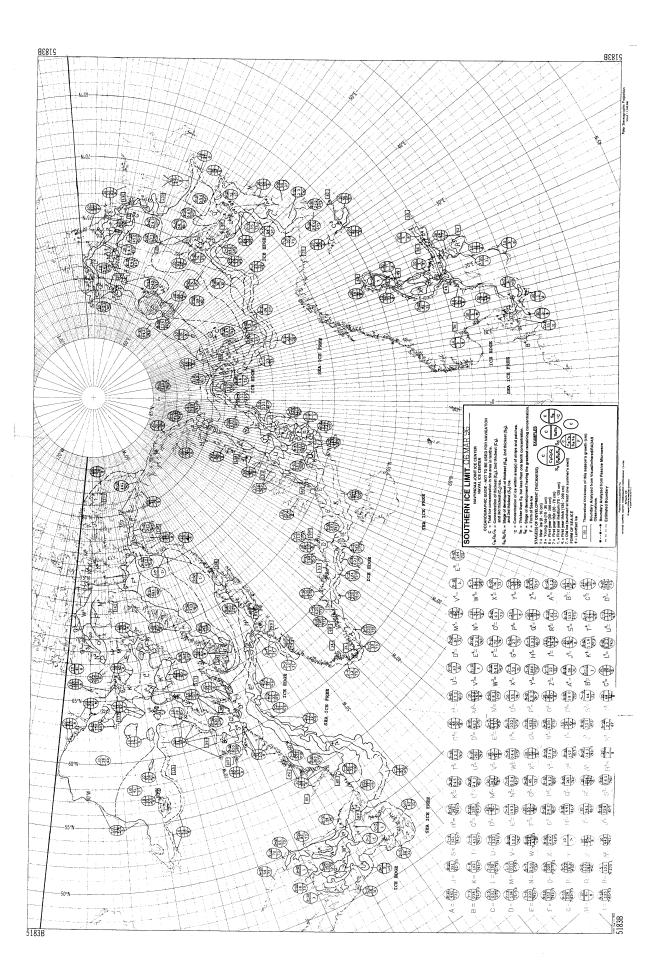


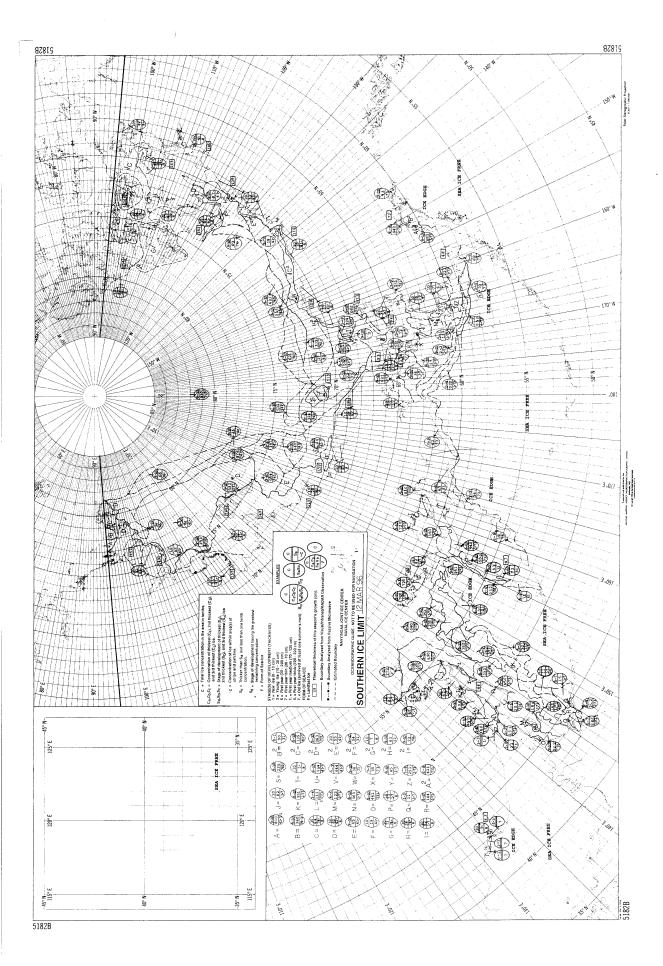


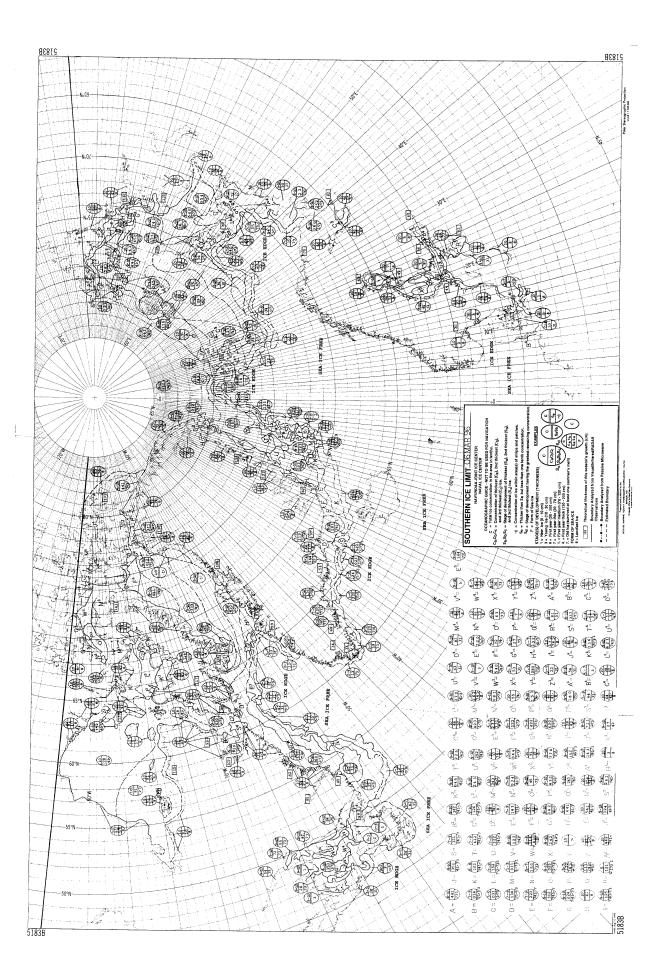


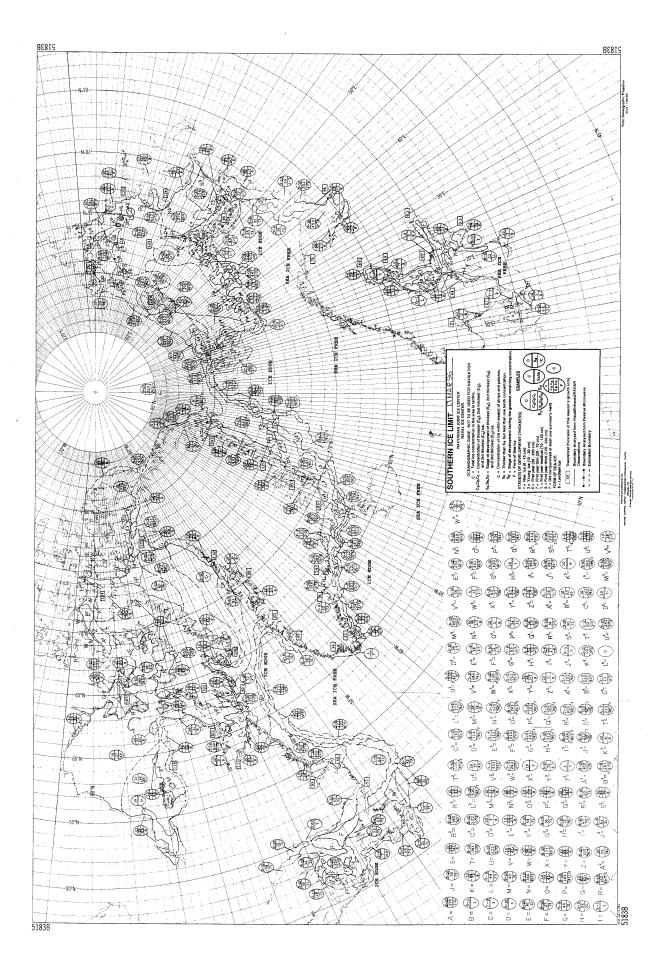


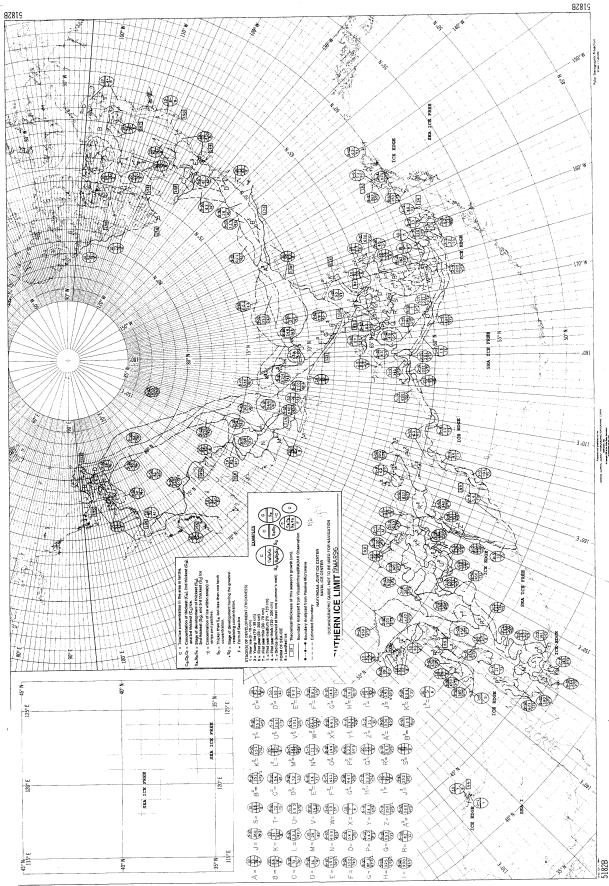


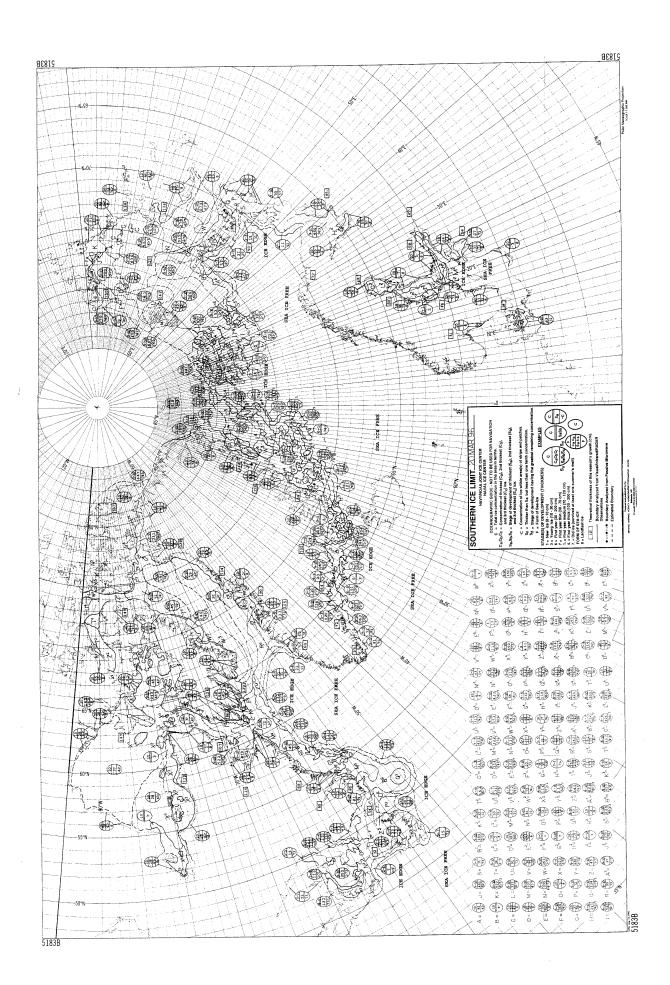


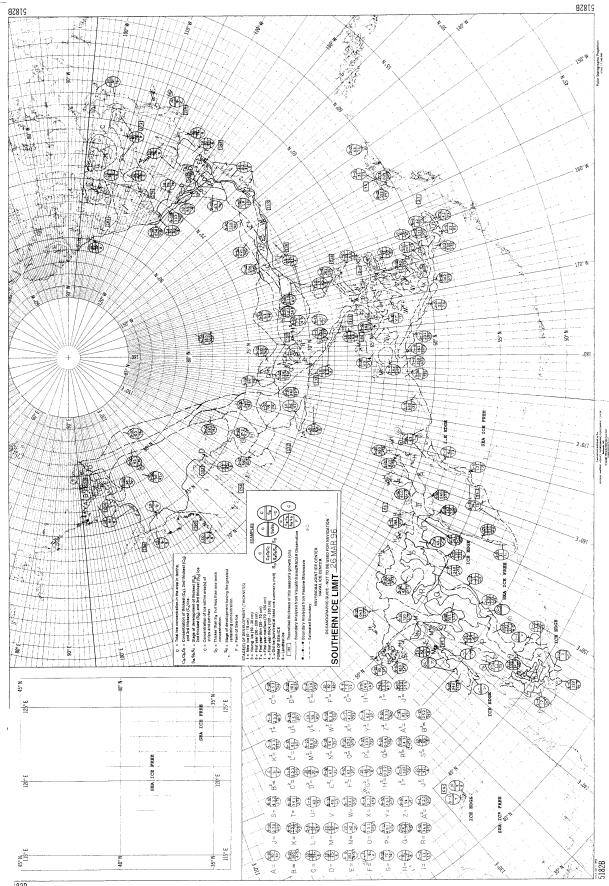


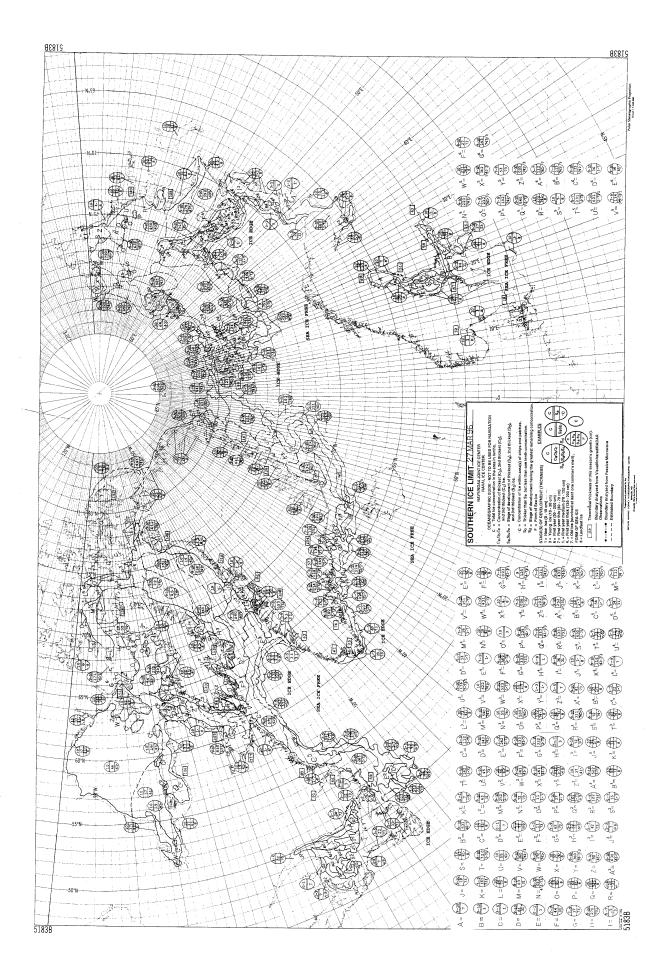


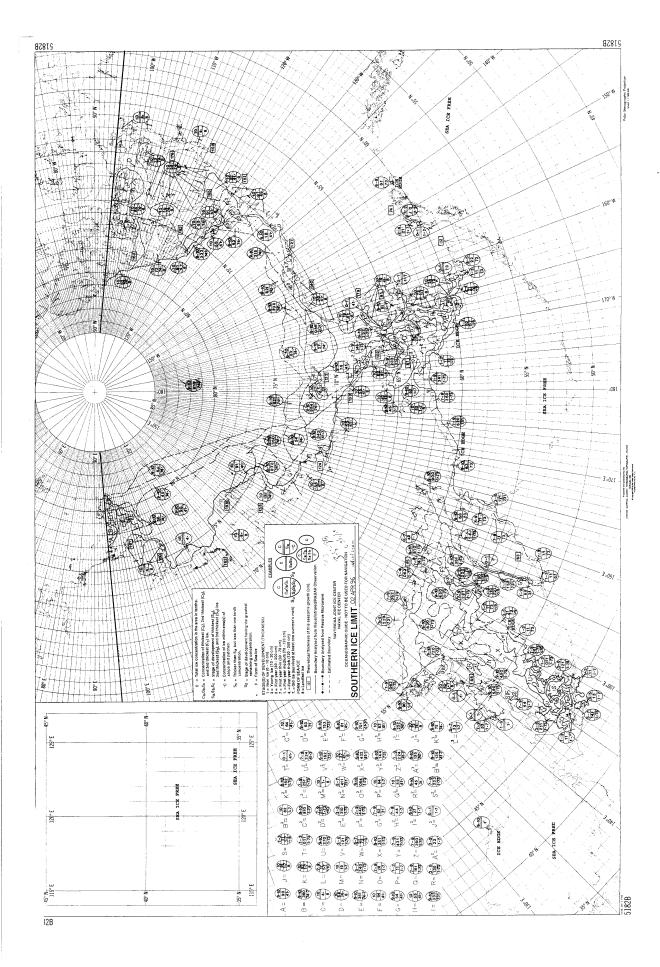


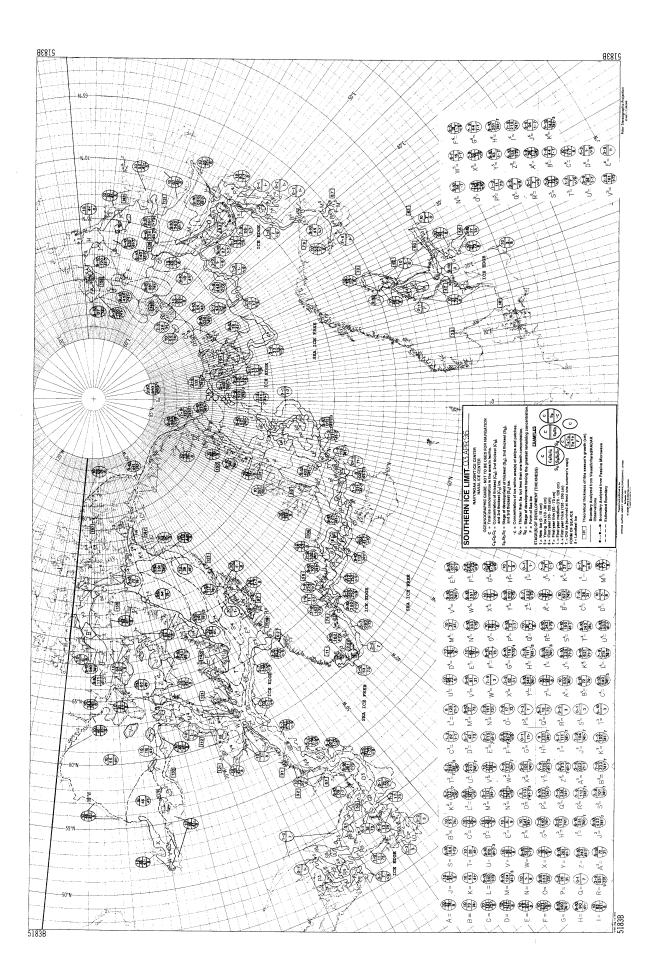


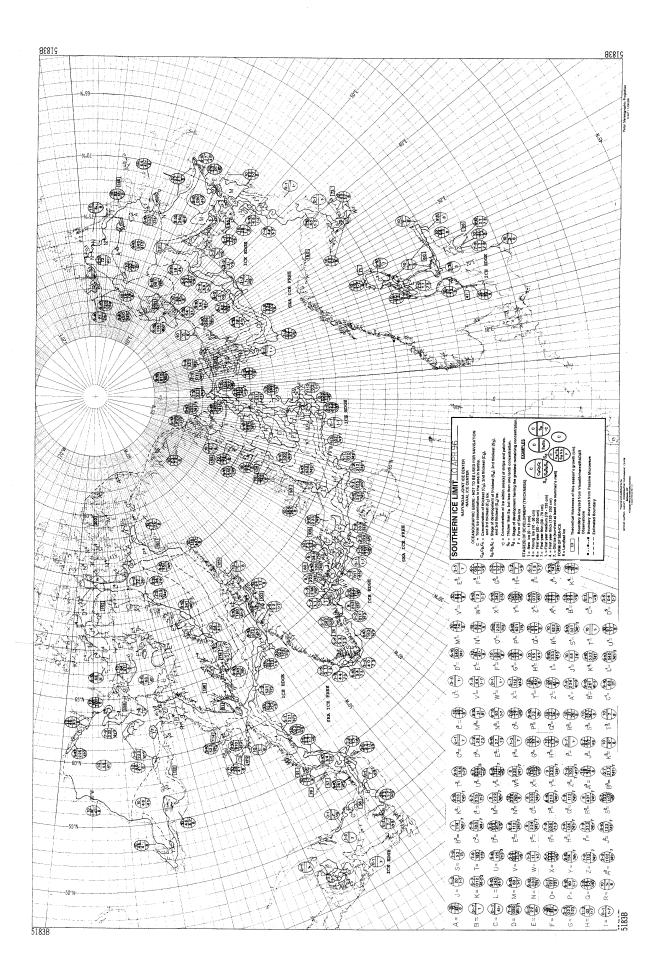


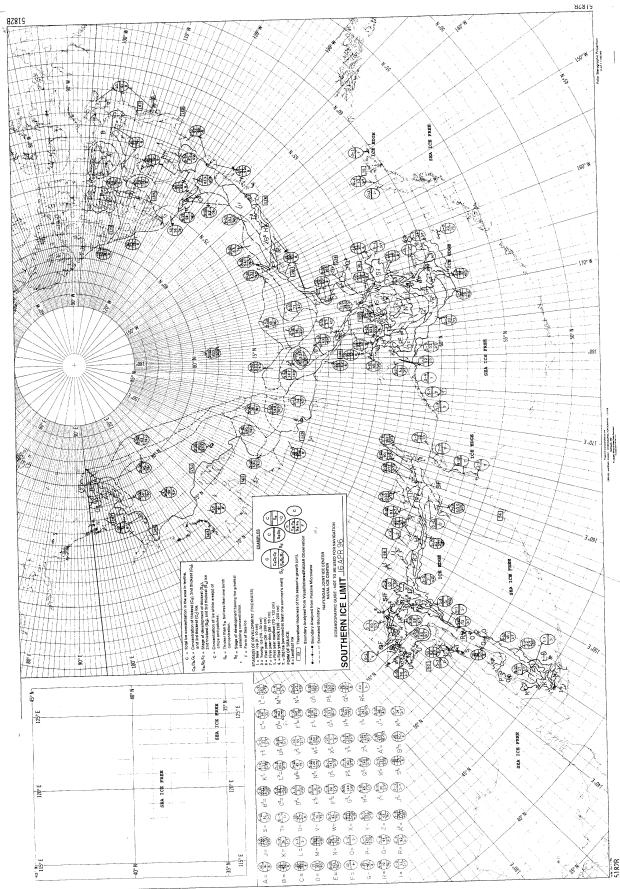


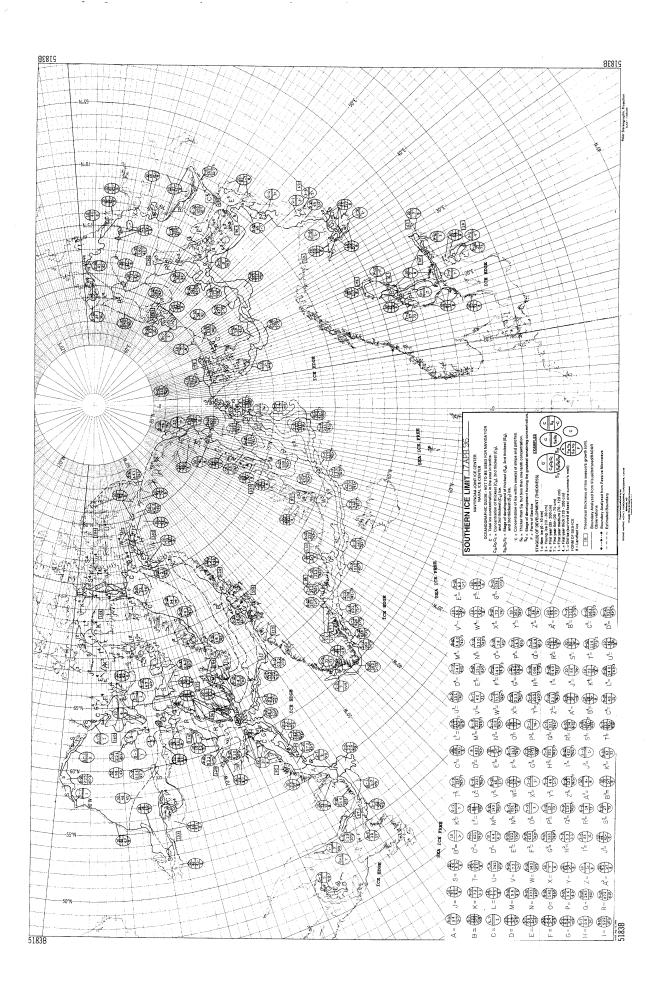


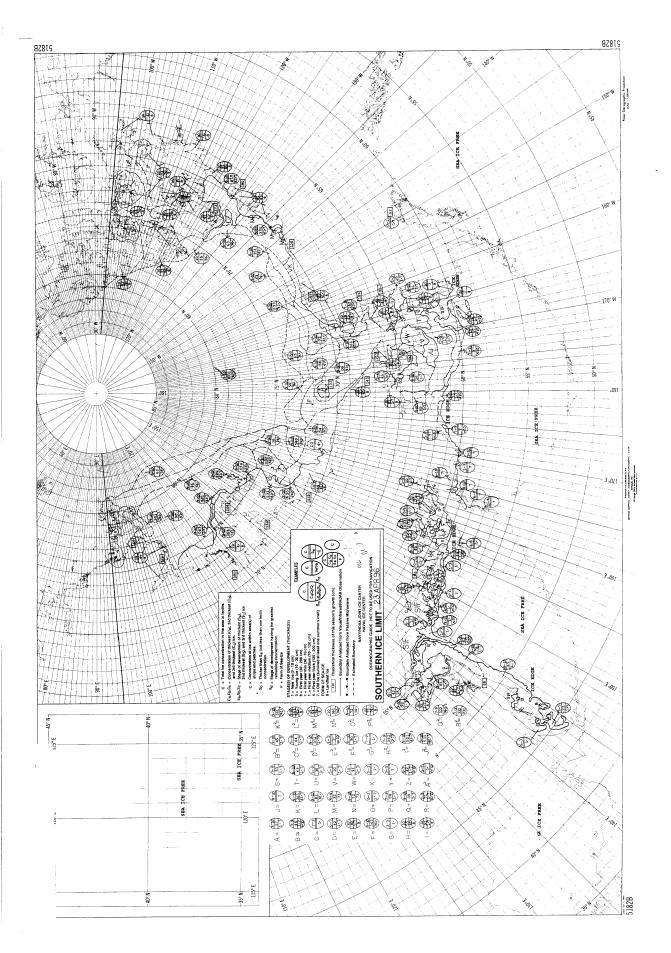


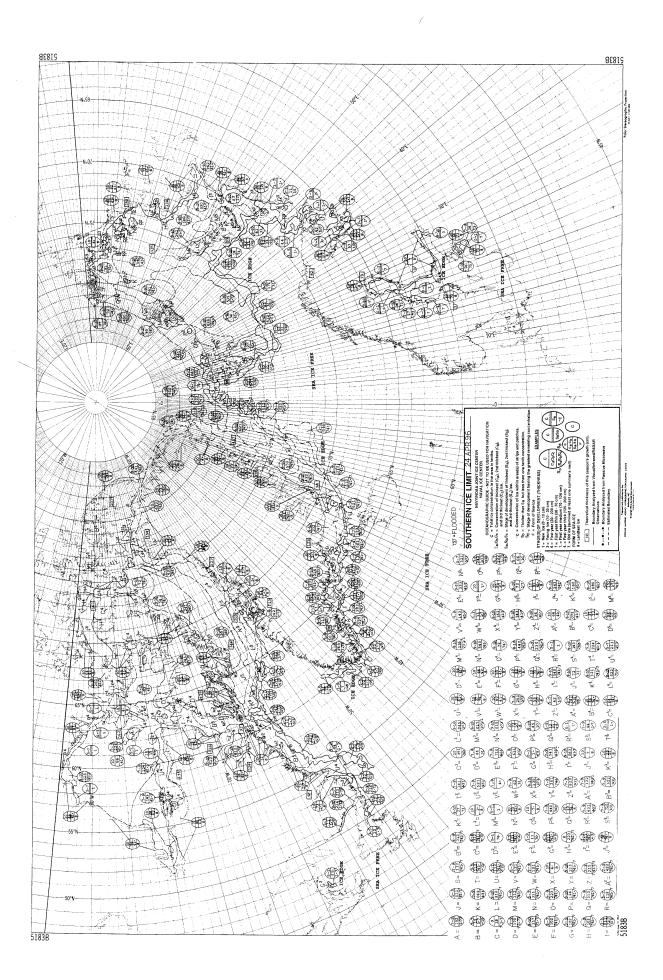


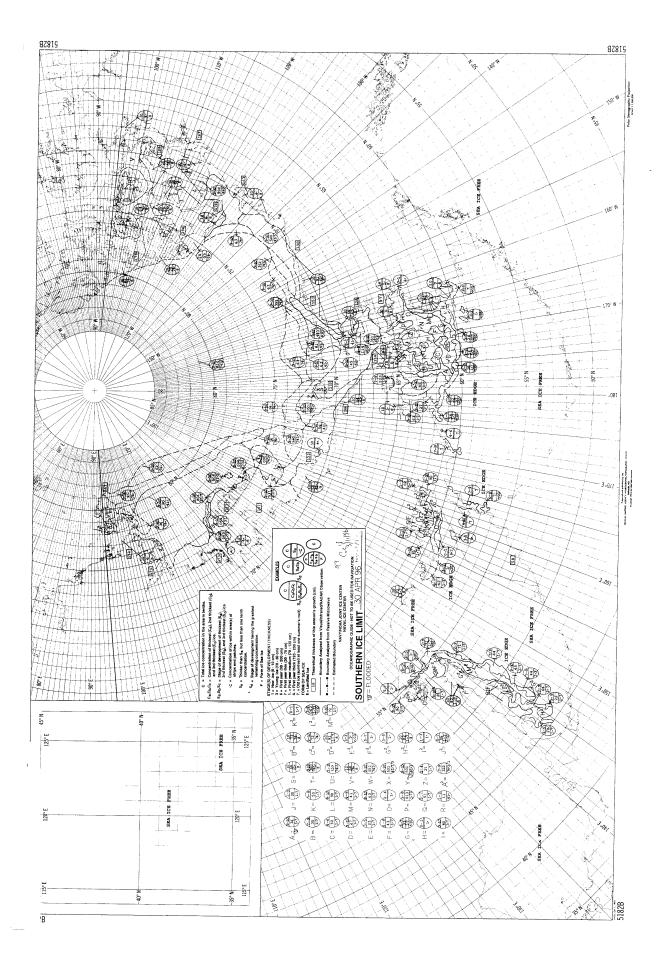


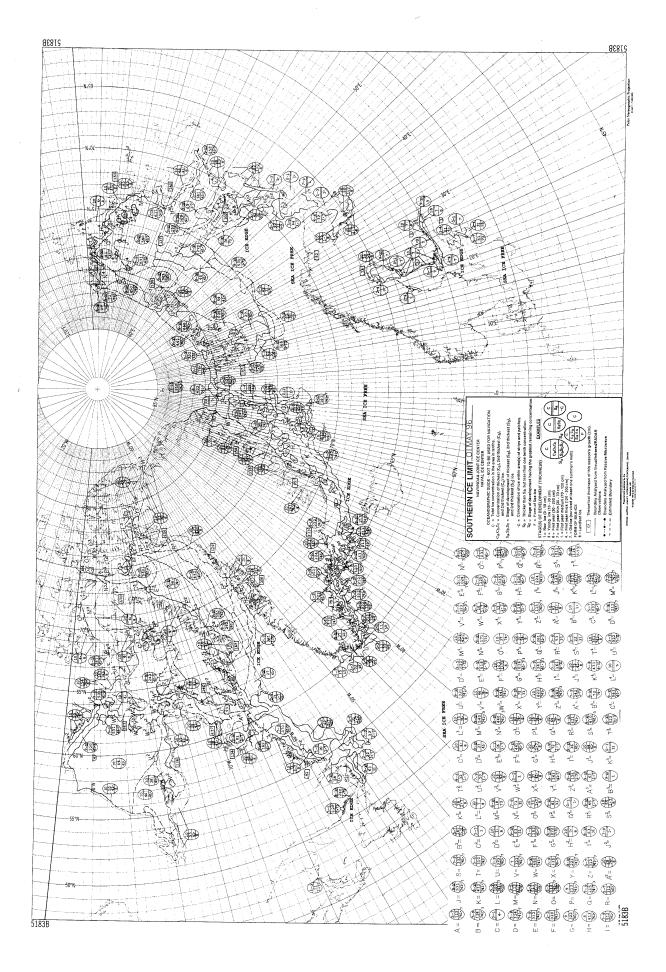


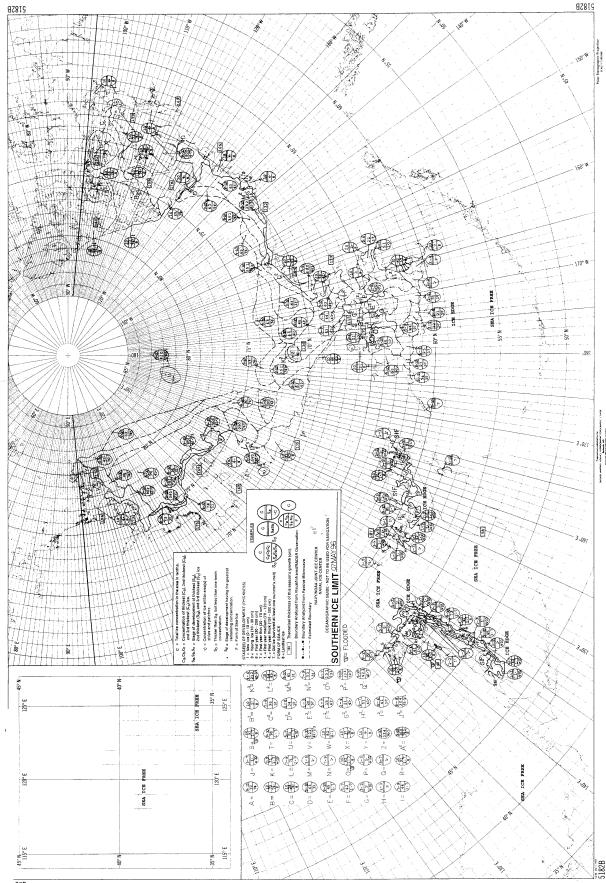


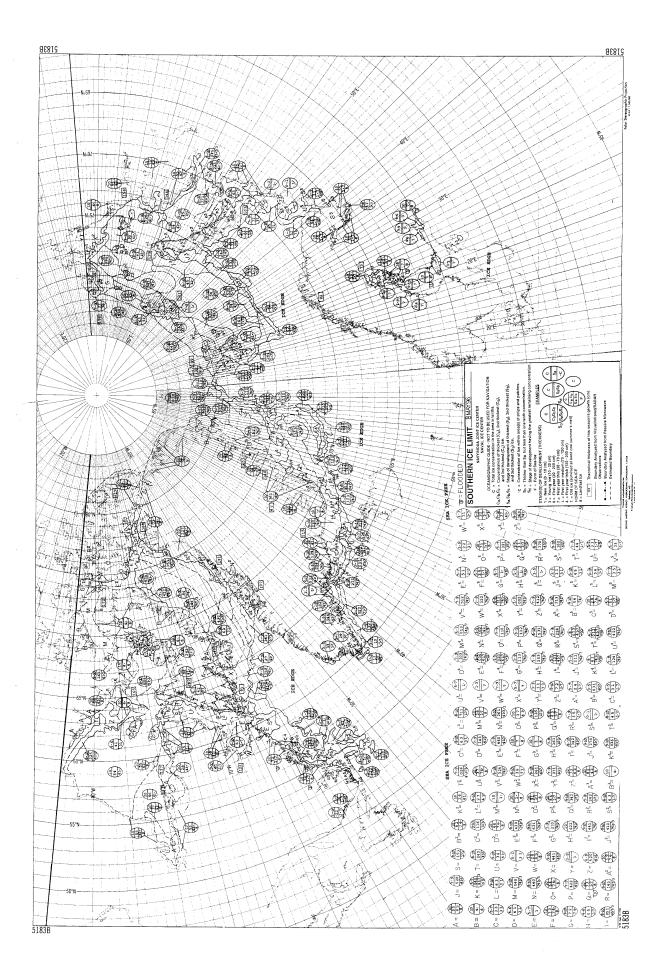


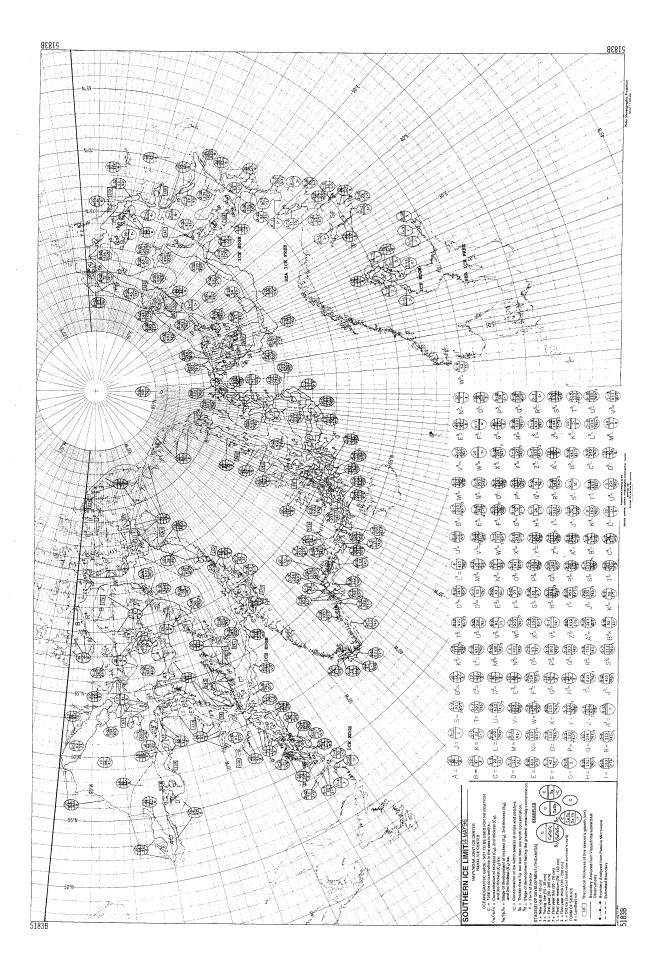


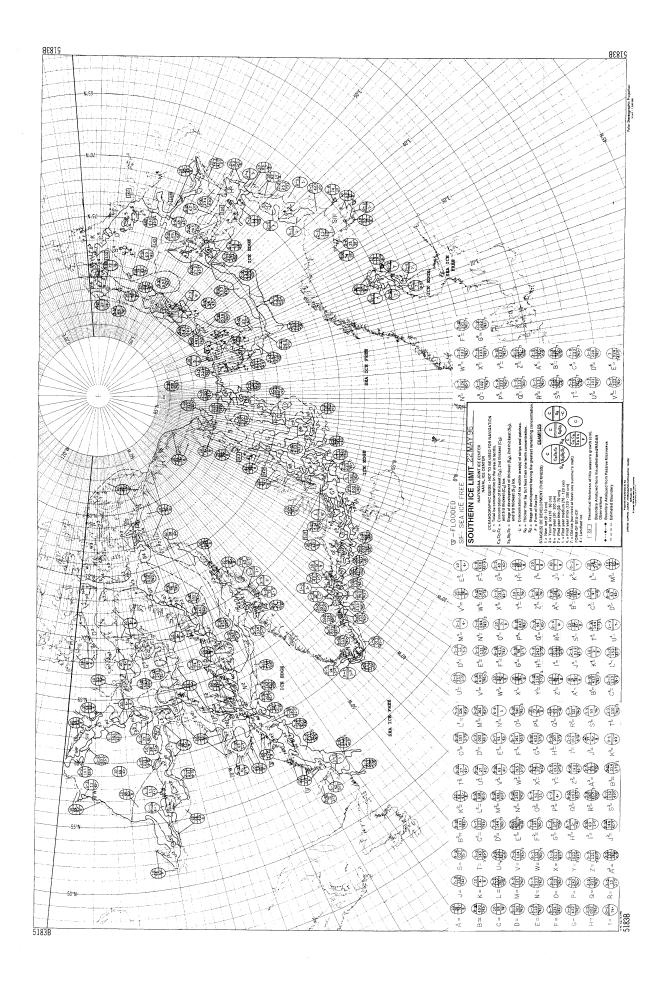


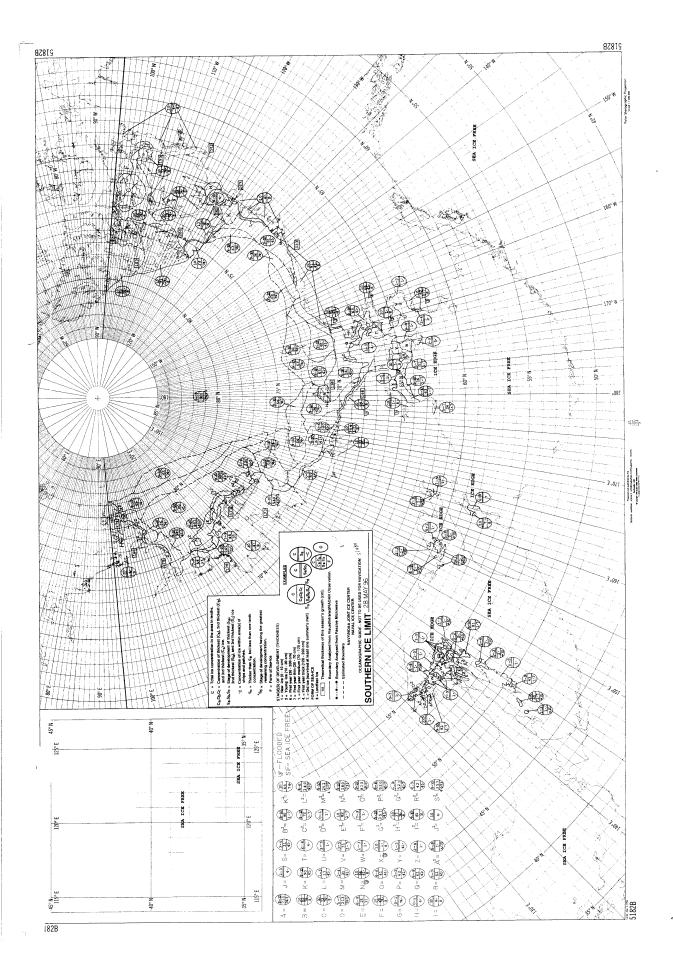


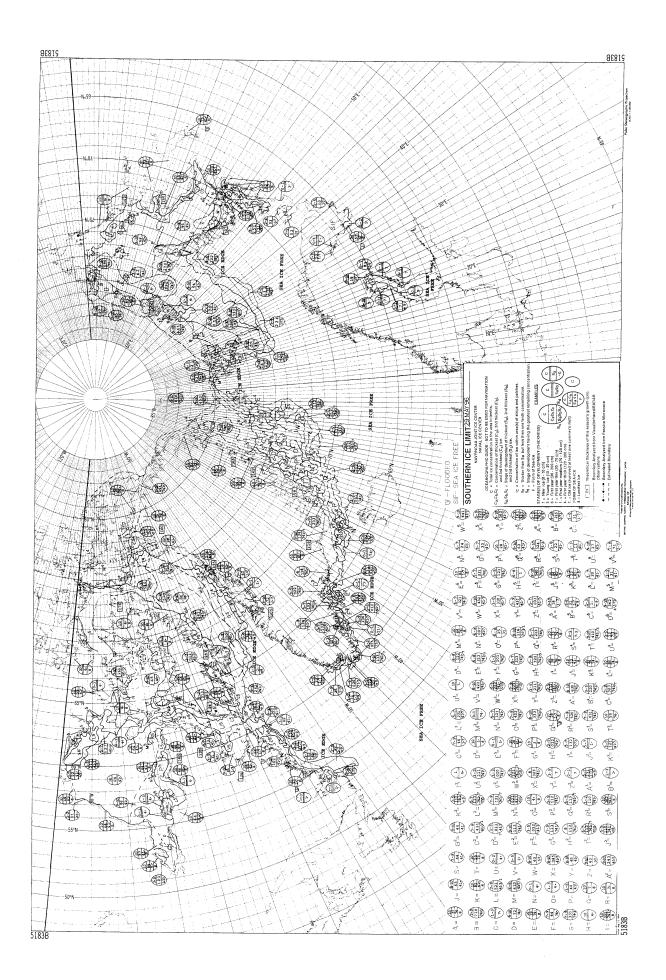


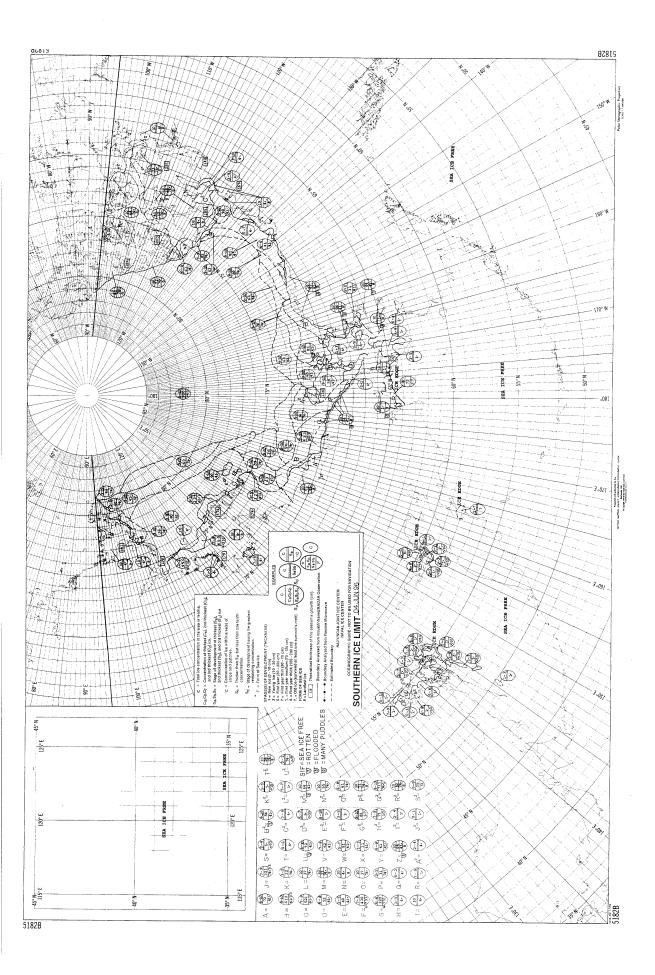


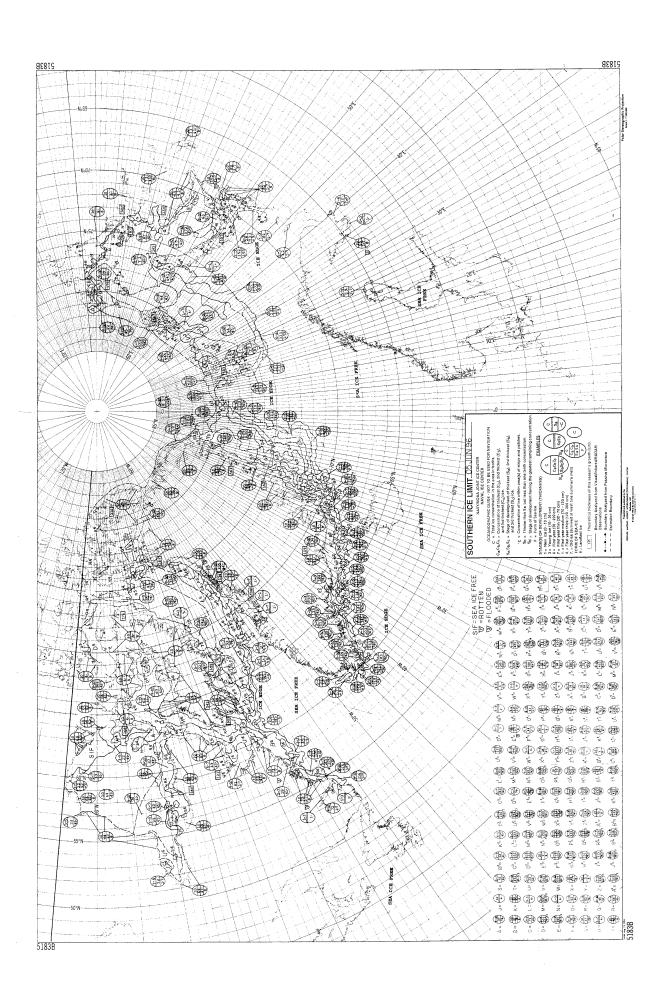


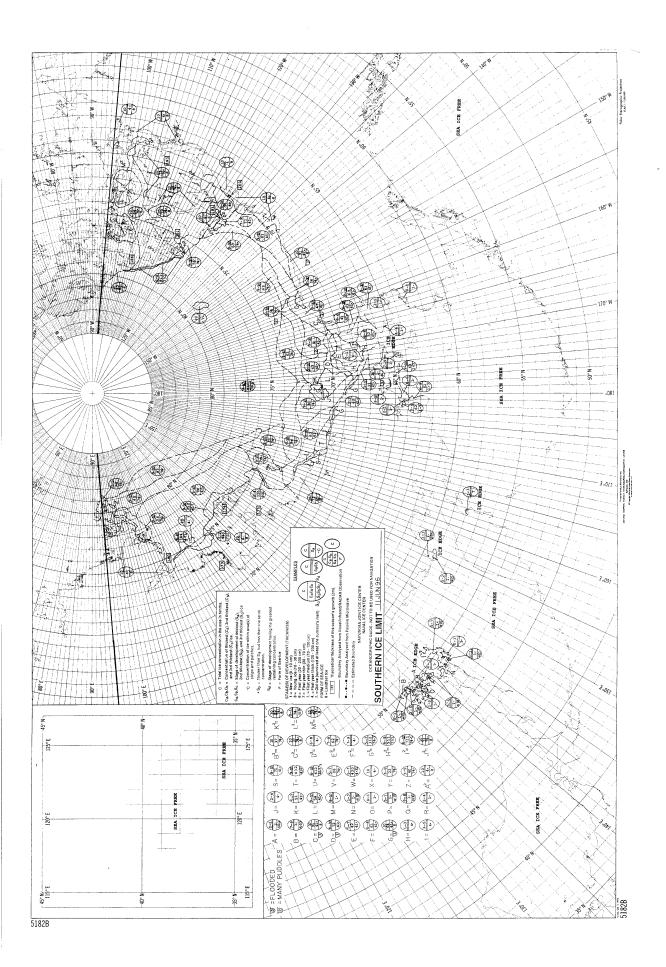


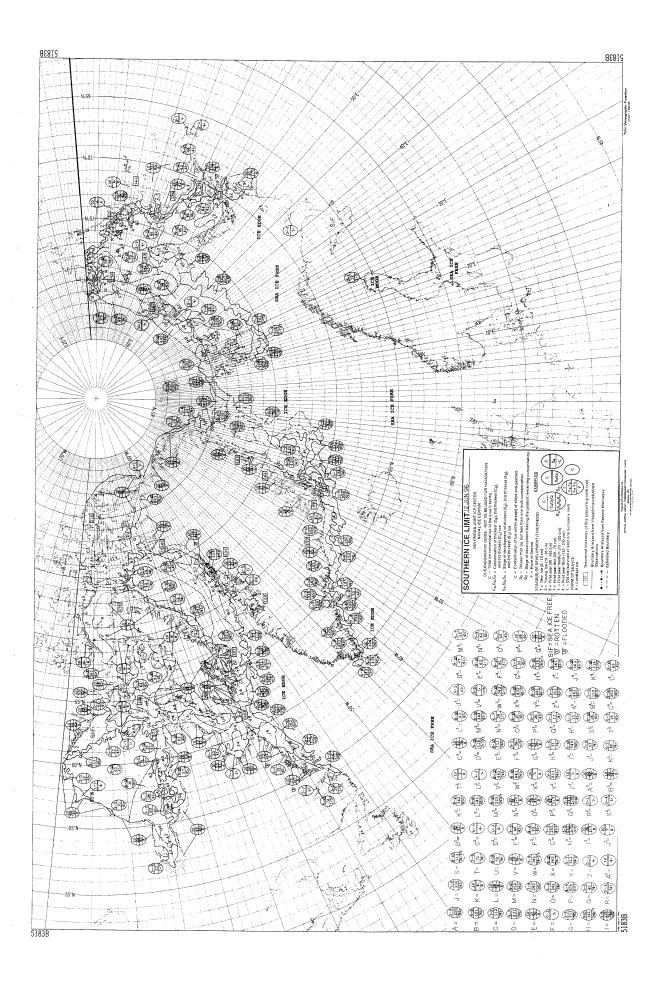


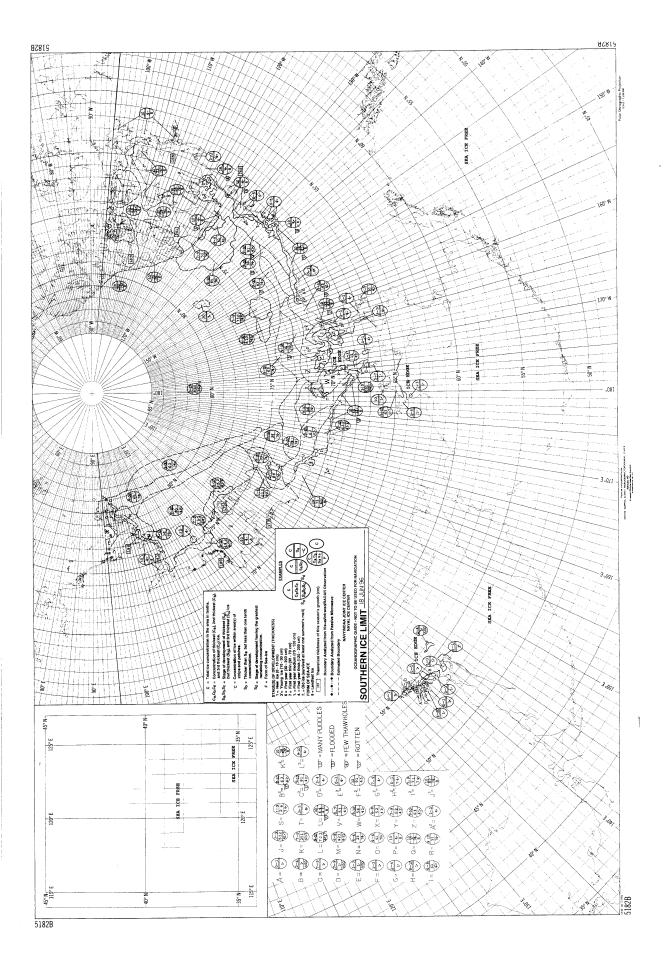


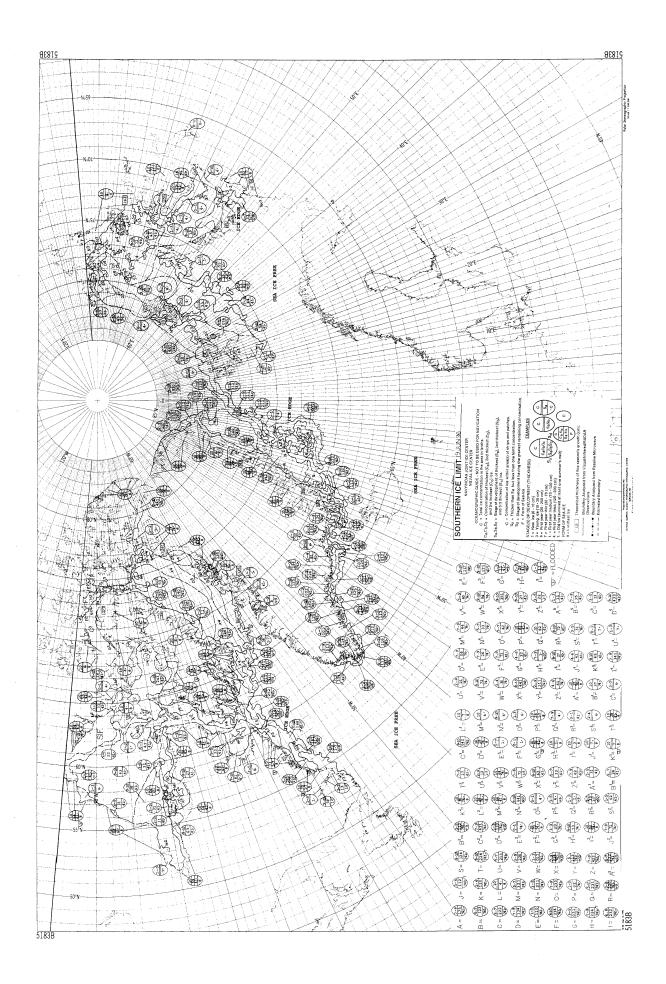


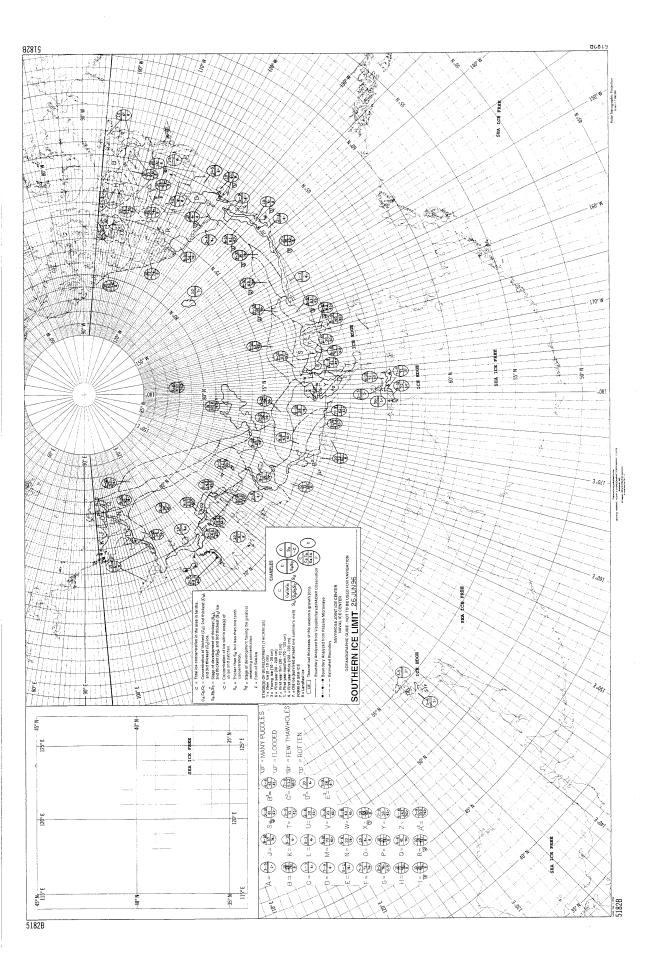


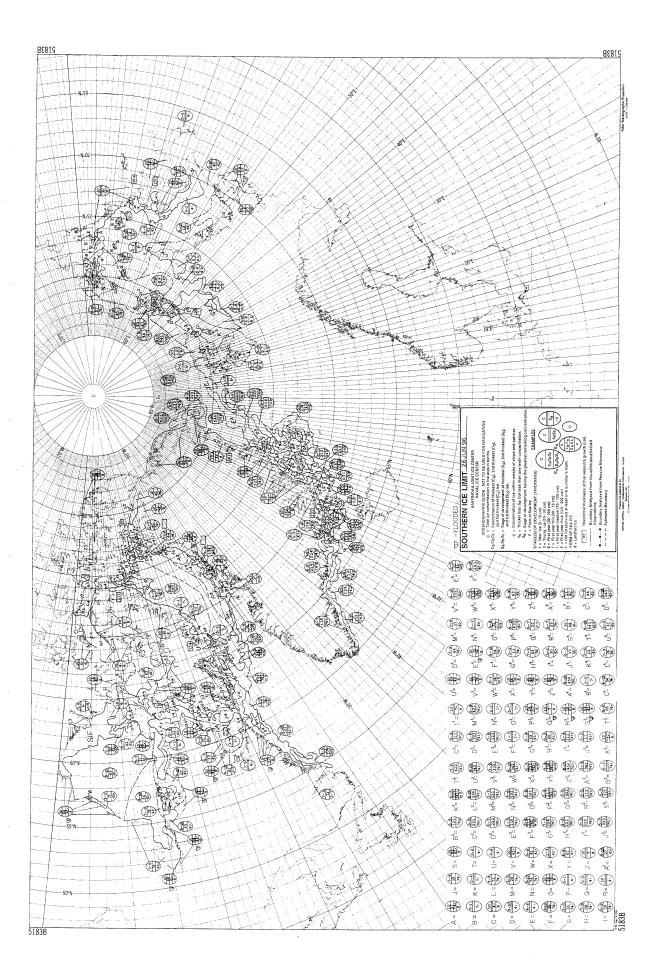


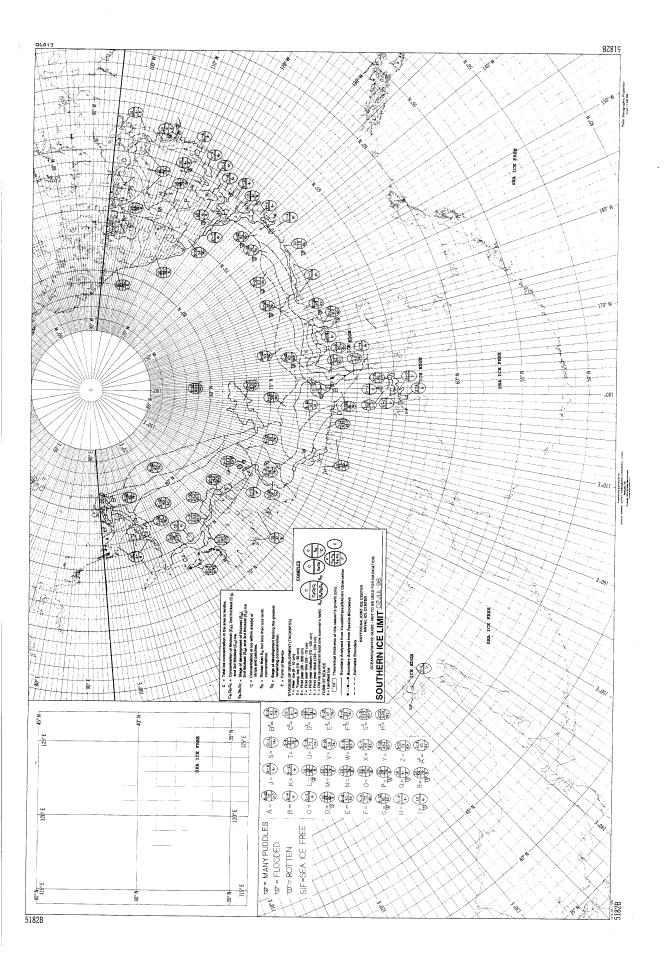


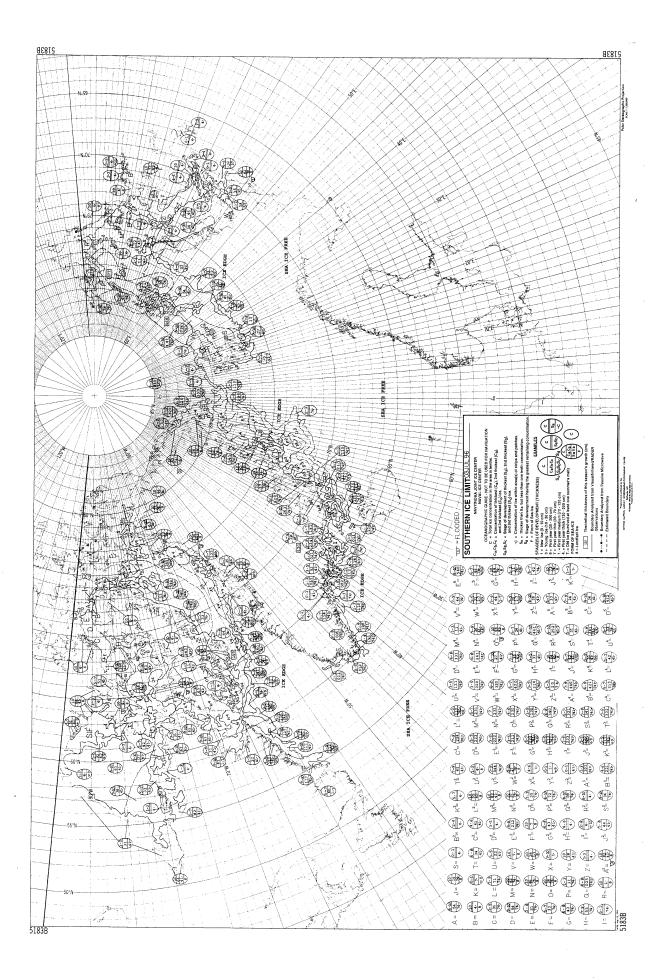


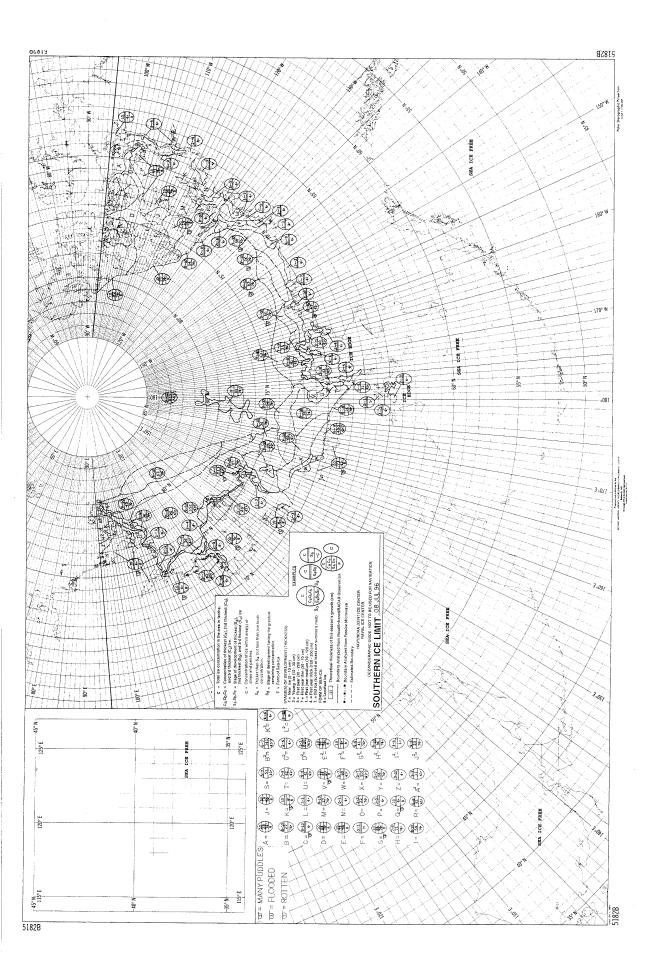


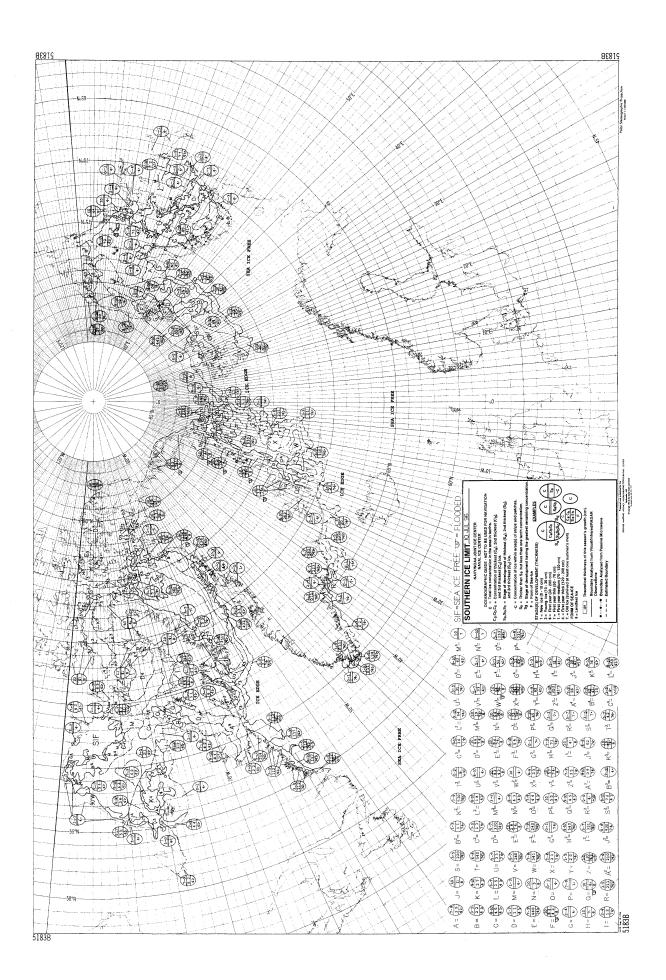


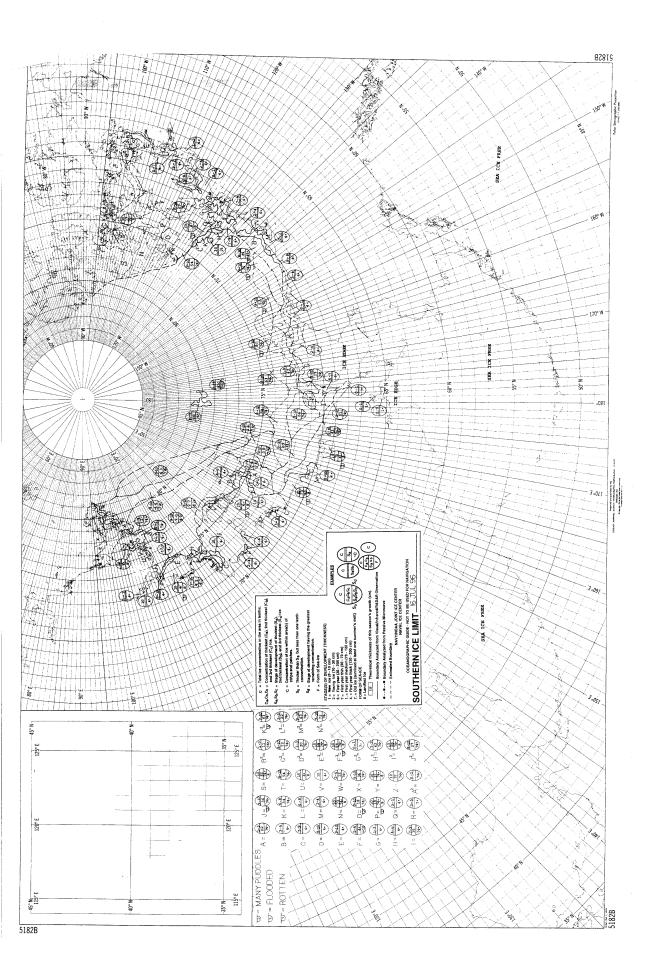


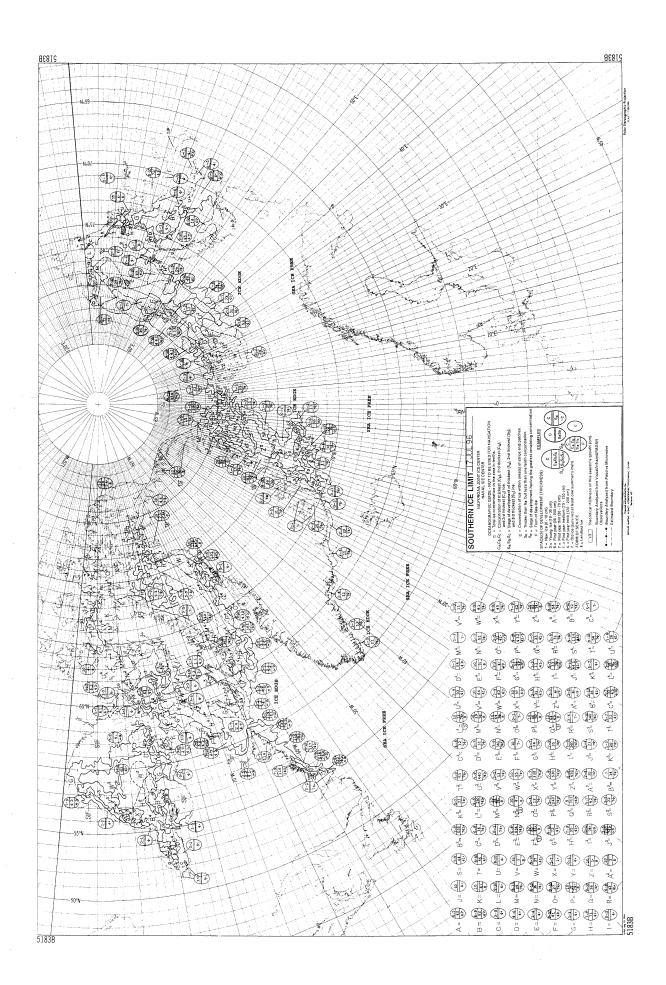


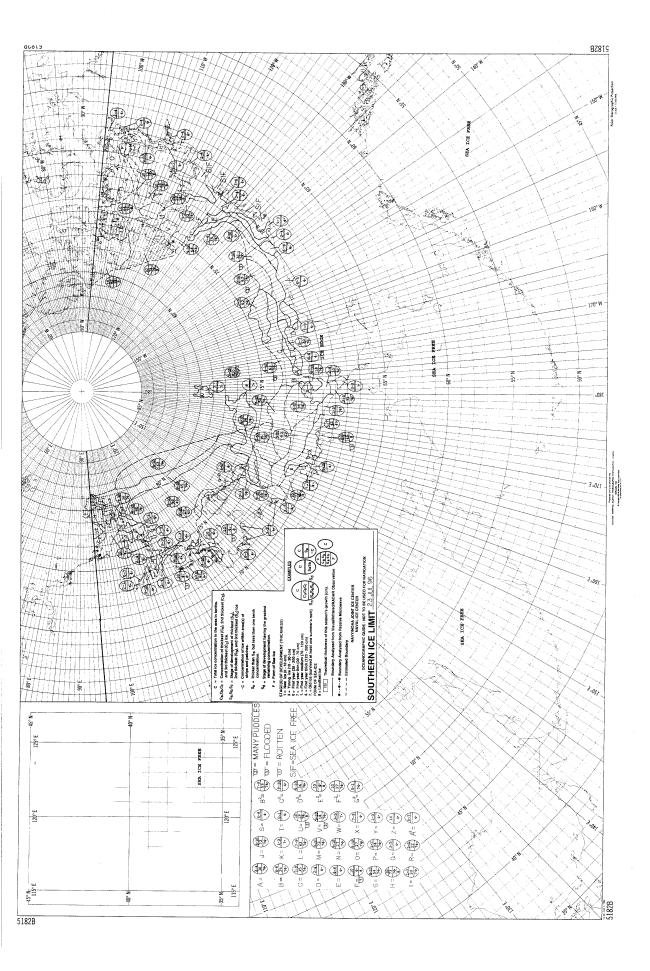


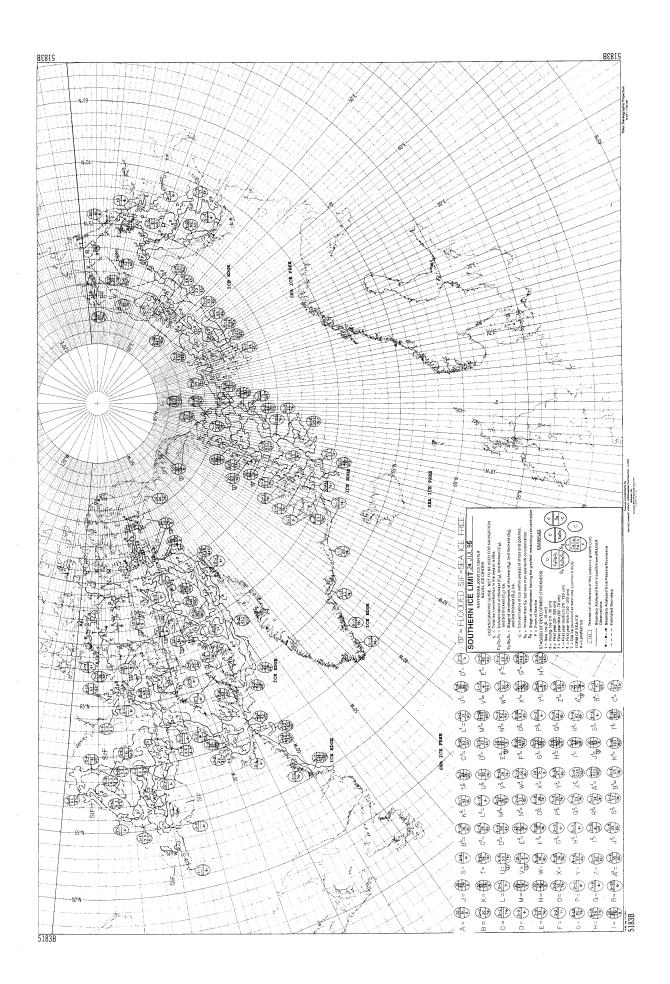


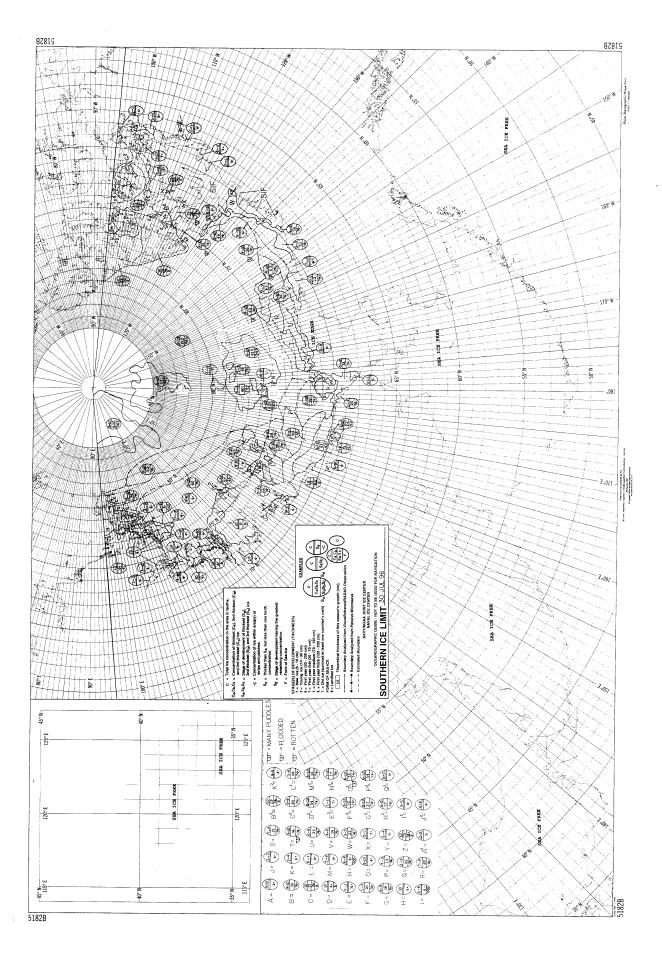


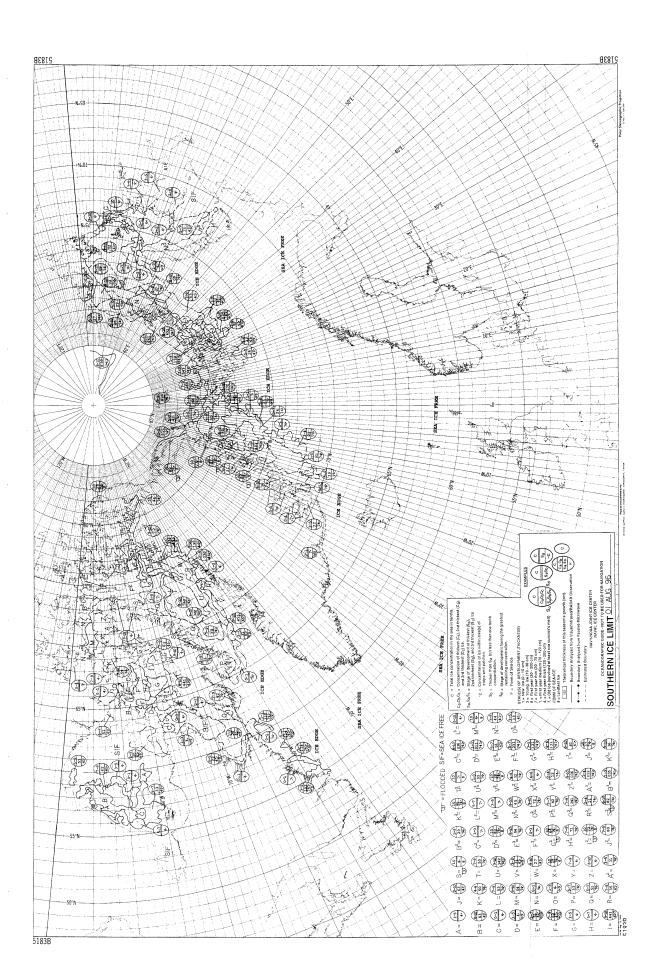


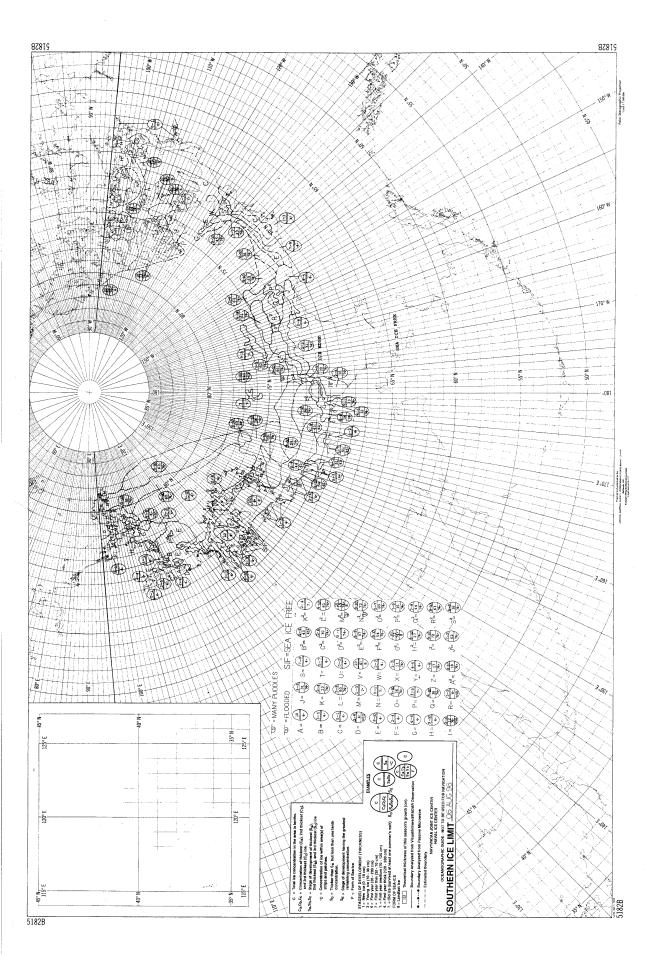


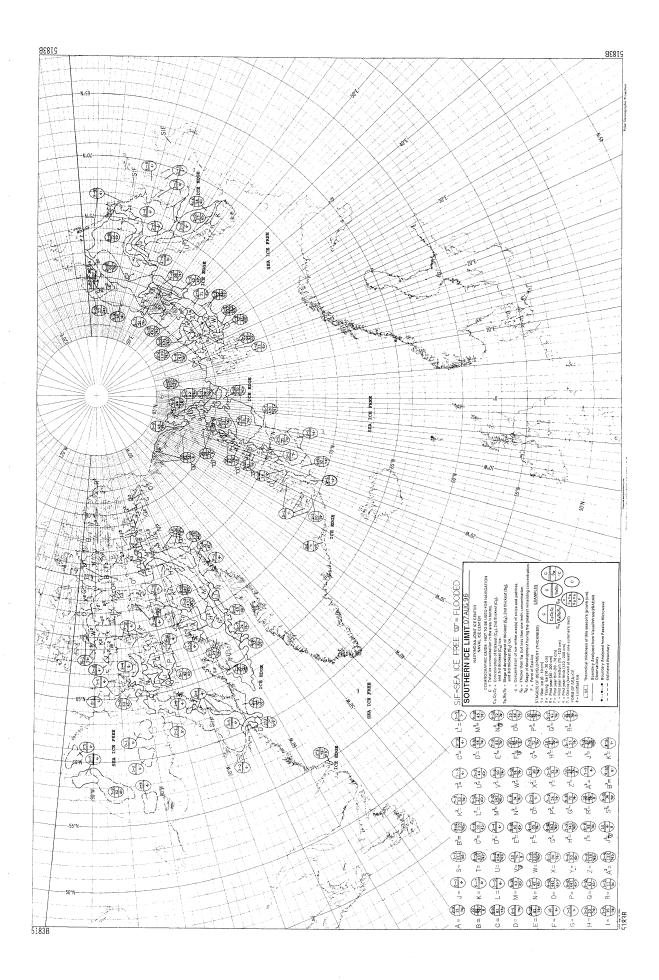


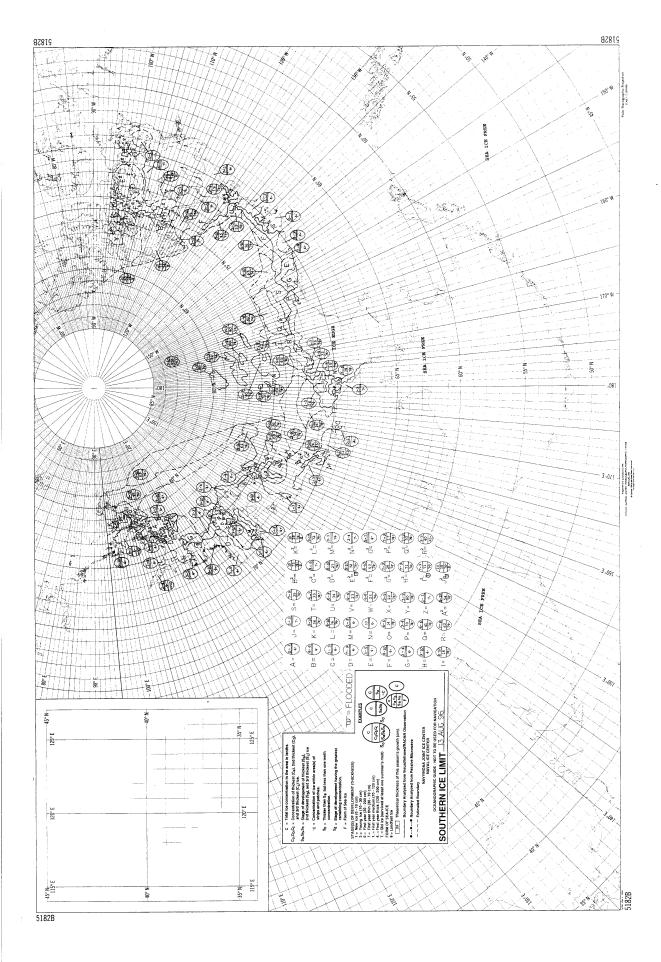


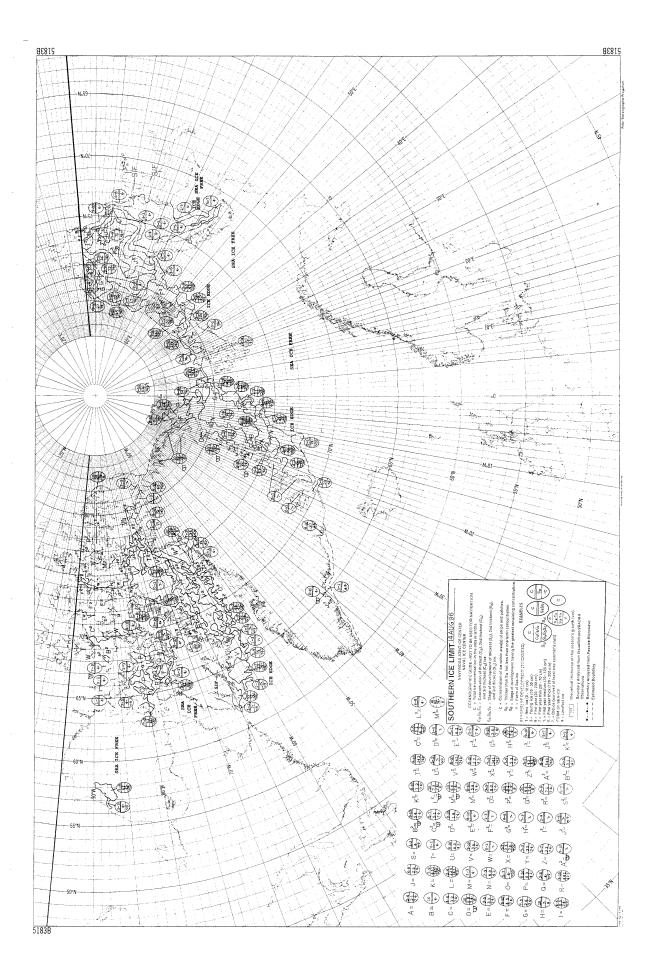


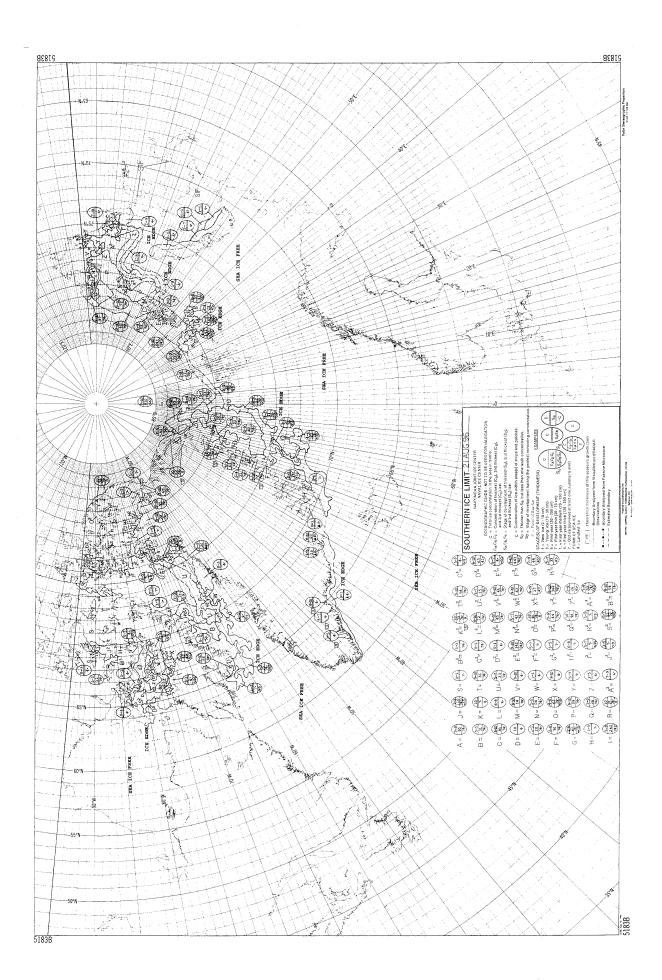












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